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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1887.

Town Clerk,

SAMUEL A. BATES.

Town Treasurer,

DAVID H. BATES, (resigned.) ANDREW J. BATES, (appointed.)

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, and Highway Surveyors.

ANSEL O. CLARK. J. MURRAY KNIGHT. J. FRANKLIN BATES.

School Committee.

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| * SAMUEL A. BATES, | 1888. | MRS. ANNIE M. BROOKS, | 1889. |
| E. AUGUSTUS WILD, | 1888. | WILLIE H. SHAW, | 1889. |
| LAWRENCE H. H. JOHNSON, | 1888. | JOHN REED, | 1890. |
| | | ALBERT E. AVERY, | 1890. |

Collector of Taxes,

NATHANIEL F. HUNT.

Constables,

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| HORACE FAXON, | JOSHUA M. BUNKER, |
| EDWIN L. CURTIS, | JOHN W. W. ROWELL, |
| ALBERT HOBART, | THOMAS CLINTON, |
| GILMAN D. WHITTAKER, | EDGAR HAYDEN. |

Auditors,

GEORGE D. WILLIS, JOHN M. BEALS, ALVERDO MASON.

Engineers of Fire Department,

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| F. O. WHITMARSH, <i>Chief,</i> | MARCUS A. PERKINS, |
| EDWARD O. PIERSON. | |

Registrars of Voters,

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| EDWARD AVERY, 1890, | F. A. HOBART, 1889, |
| A. S. MORRISON, 1888. | |

Fence Viewers,

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| ALBERT E. AVERY, | FREEMAN G. CROSBY, |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES. | |

Superintendent of Schools,

CHARLES L. HUNT.

* Resigned.

REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and Highway Surveyors.

At the annual town meeting the following sums were raised and appropriated :—

For support of schools, besides dog tax and

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| school funds, | \$8,400 00 |
| Incidentals for schools, | 300 00 |
| Incidentals for school houses, | 400 00 |
| Superintendent of schools, | 1,200 00 |
| Text books and supplies, | 800 00 |
| Poor in Almshouse, | 1,800 00 |
| Poor out of Almshouse, | 1,800 00 |
| Removal of snow, | 1,000 00 |
| Repairs of highways, | 3,000 00 |
| Stone road, | 3,000 00 |
| Paving gutters, (Monatiquot Heights,) | 400 00 |
| Town lands, | 100 00 |
| Incidental expenses, | 1,200 00 |
| Janitor, | 600 00 |
| Post 87, G. A. R., | 150 00 |
| Building new road from Liberty to Elliott street, | 835 00 |
| Widening of Commercial street, | 5,500 00 |
| To finish Walnut avenue, | 200 00 |
| To finish Prospect street, | 200 00 |
| To finish Sterling street, | 100 00 |
| Repairs on Quincy avenue, | 1,500 00 |
| Painting Almshouse, | 200 00 |
| Public Library, | 690 00 |
| Delivery of books from Public Library, | 100 00 |
| Building new road from Pearl to Liberty street, | 4,000 00 |

Amount carried forward, \$37,475 00

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | . | . | \$37,475 00 |
| Paid Interest on town debt, | . | . | 2,000 00 |
| Town officers, | . | . | 2,200 00 |
| Fire department, | . | . | 1,800 00 |
| | | | <hr/> \$43,475 00 |
| Reappropriation for delivery of books, | | | \$42 76 |

SCHOOLS.

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Appropriation, | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$8,400 |
| | | | | | | | | <hr/> |

HIGH SCHOOL.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Paid Charles E. Stetson, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$30 | \$1,200 00 |
| Carrie M. Bassétt, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$12.50 | 250 00 |
| Carrie M. Bassett, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$15 | 300 00 |
| E. P. Hayward, teaching music, | 5 00 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, | 58 50 |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, | 7 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,820 70 |

POND SCHOOL.

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Paid H. E. Wentworth, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$15 | \$300 00 |
| Fred H. Saunders, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$15 | 300 00 |
| Elizabeth M. Thompson, teaching 40 | |
| weeks, at \$8 | 320 00 |
| S. Ella Torrey, teaching 20 weeks, at \$8 | 160 00 |
| Mary L. Burroughs, 20 weeks, at \$8 . | 160 00 |
| Sarah L. Arnold, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 320 00 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . | 99 45 |
| M. L. Tupper, wood, | 5 78 |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . | 8 40 |
| Mrs. A. L. Cole, cleaning house, . | 2 00 |
| | <hr/> \$1,675 63 |

UNION SCHOOL.

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Paid Herbert E. Walker, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$15 | \$600 00 |
| Susan O. Lane, teaching 20 weeks, at \$8 | 160 00 |
| Adelaide E. Perry, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 160 00 |
| Abbie A. Mills, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 320 00 |
| Sarah L. Hadley, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 320 00 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . | 93 60 |
| J. W. W. Rowell, sawing wood, . . | 1 50 |
| E. W. Adams, care of house, . . | 12 50 |
| E. P. Allen, care of house, .. | 68 00 |
| Onslow Q. Ball, care of house, . . | 70 35 |
| M. L. Tupper, kindlings, . . . | 1 00 |
| E. P. Hayward, tuning piano, . . | 1 50 |
| R. Allen Gage, wood, . . . | 3 25 |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . | 7 20 |
| | <hr/> \$1,818 90 |

IRON WORKS SCHOOL.

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Paid John S. Manter, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$15 | \$600 00 |
| Avis A. Thayer, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 320 00 |
| Adelaide A. Scott, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 160 00 |
| Mabel L. Bates, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | 160 00 |
| William Orr, care of house, . . | 143 50 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . | 88 58 |
| R. Allen Gage, shavings, . . . | 90 |
| M. L. Tupper, kindlings, . . . | 25 |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . | 9 60 |
| | <hr/> \$1,482 83 |

EAST SCHOOL.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Paid Victoria P. Wilde, teaching 39½ weeks, | | |
| at \$11.25 | \$443 25 | |
| Jennie G. Carmichael, teaching 20 | | |
| weeks, at \$7 | 140 00 | |
| Susie W. Snow, teaching 20 weeks, at \$7 | 140 00 | |
| Jesse Burrell, care of house, . . . | 56 85 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . . | 29 25 | |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . . | 7 20 | |
| | <hr/> | \$816 55 |

SOUTH SCHOOL.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Paid Margaret E. C. Bannon, teaching 40 | | |
| weeks, at \$8 | \$320 00 | |
| Henry Brusio, care of house, . . . | 3 00 | |
| Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, care of house, . | 15 00 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . . | 23 40 | |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . . | 5 40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$366 80 |

SOUTH WEST SCHOOL.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Paid Isaline R. Hayden, teaching 40 weeks, | | |
| at \$6 | \$240 00 | |
| Hiram A. Hayden, care of house, . . | 15 00 | |
| Ann M. Hayden, care of house, . . . | 1 40 | |
| Charles L. Holbrook, care of house, . | 7 00 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . . | 17 55 | |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . . | 2 40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$283 35 |

SOUTH EAST SCHOOL.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Paid Margaret G. King, teaching 17 weeks, | | |
| at \$6 | \$102 00 | |
| Martha Penniman, care of house, . . | 16 30 | |
| Martha Penniman, kindlings, . . . | 60 | |
| M. Williams, kindlings, | 3 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$122 50 |

WEST SCHOOL.

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|---|----------|
| Paid Mabel L. Bates, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$6 | \$120 00 |
| Lucy W. Gibbs, teaching 20 weeks, | |
| at \$6 | 120 00 |
| Elisha Saville, care of house, . . . | 15 00 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . . | 17 55 |
| M. Williams, kindlings, . . . | 6 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$278 55 |

MIDDLE STREET SCHOOL.

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| Paid Mary L. Crowe, teaching 40 weeks, | |
| at \$8 | \$320 00 |
| Orrin N. Hollis, care of house, . . . | 15 75 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal, . . . | 17 55 |
| Orrin N. Hollis, kindlings, . . . | 75 |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings, . . . | 4 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$358 85 |
| Total for Schools, | \$9,024 66 |

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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| Appropriation | \$1 200 00 |
| Paid Charles L. Hunt, 12 months, . . . | 1 200 00 |

INCIDENTALS FOR SCHOOLS.

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| Appropriation | <u>\$300 00.</u> |
| Paid Gilman D. Whittaker, services as tru- | |
| ant officer, | \$1 50 |
| Van Antwerp Bragg & Co., school sup- | |
| plies, | 52 50 |
| W. Austin Torrey, school supplies, . . | 85 |
| Albert F. Hall, engrossing diplomas, . | 6 25 |
| E. O. Fish, maps, | 24 00 |
| C. L. Hunt, cash paid for keys, . . . | 90 |
| | <hr/> |
| <i>Amount carried forward, . . .</i> | \$86 00 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$86 00 |
| Paid H. A. Pettengill, brooms, brush, coal hod, etc., | 3 70 |
| J. R. Carmichael, cleaning stoves, | 8 00 |
| Paul F. DeLang, cleaning clocks, | 4 00 |
| Wallace Spooner, printing, | 11 00 |
| A. J. Wilkinson, supplies, | 4 67 |
| Silver Rogers & Co., supplies, | 70 00 |
| Boston School Supply Co., supplies, | 10 00 |
| Green & Prescott, printing, | 4 00 |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, | 19 14 |
| O. M. Rogers, repairs on stoves, etc., | 17 50 |
| L. H. H. Johnson, cash paid for sup- plies, | 6 85 |
| George S. Perry, pencil sharpener, | 3 50 |
| Belknap & Co., supplies, | 1 50 |
| J. G. Roberts & Co., supplies, | 2 25 |
| Guss B. Bates, repairing stoves, pipes, etc., | 19 90 |
| Sanborn & Damon, repairing stoves, pipes, etc., | 59 14 |
| J. M. Arnold, supplies, | 10 66 |
| James Wilson, supplies, | 50 |
| Vinton & Son, expressing, | 1 75 |
| Vinton & Son, box of crayons, | 50 |
| E. L. and F. S. Rollins, supplies, | 13 50 |
| C. E. Stetson, supplies, | 7 20 |
| | <hr/> \$365 26 |

INCIDENTALS FOR SCHOOLHOUSES.

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| Appropriation | \$400 00 |
| Paid, Wales Brothers, repairs on pumps, | \$10 00 |
| L. E. Penniman, repairs on Pond school house, | 2 25 |
| A. K. Bates, iron pipe, | 4 00 |
| Mrs. C. Starr, cleaning windows, etc., Iron Works, | 11 72 |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | <hr/> \$27 97 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$27 97 |
| Paid Mrs. Donovan, cleaning house, Union | 14 30 |
| Vinton & Son, expressing, | 1 00 |
| F. O. Whitmarsh, mason work, Union, Middle street, | 8 88 |
| William Orr, setting glass, cleaning vault, Iron Works, | 20 70 |
| Charles Barker, repairs on Union | 2 00 |
| Charles Barker, making tables, | 6 00 |
| J. D. F. Lyons, repairing chimneys, Pond | 12 12 |
| B. J. Loring, Jr., repairs on East and Iron Works | 18 90 |
| Mary Gilbrath, cleaning house, West | 4 30 |
| Mary Rennington, cleaning house, Middle street | 3 50 |
| A. H. Holbrook, cleaning well, vault, South | 4 00 |
| Mrs. Irene Thayer, cleaning house, South West | 4 00 |
| Bridget Connor, cleaning house, Pond | 1 00 |
| John W. Connor, cleaning vault, East | 3 00 |
| C. C. Webster, mason work, Union | 40 50 |
| C. C. Webster, mason work, Middle street | 6 00 |
| C. C. Webster, mason work, Iron Works | 12 00 |
| Mrs. Gorham, cleaning room, Pond | 1 50 |
| Mrs. O'Connor, cleaning room, Union | 1 00 |
| Bridget Hunter, cleaning room, Pond | 3 45 |
| O. Q. Ball, repairs on house, Union | 4 48 |
| R. Allen Gage, cleaning well, Union | 5 00 |
| R. Allen Gage, cleaning well, Pond | 3 00 |
| Thomas B. Stoddard, repairs on black board and setting glass, Pond | 9 86 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$218 46 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward.</i> | | \$218 46 |
| Paid John Kelley, repairing black board | | |
| and lock, East | 3 25 | |
| J. H. Malvena, cleaning vault, Pond . | 3 00 | |
| J. H. Malvena, cleaning vault, High . | 3 00 | |
| J. H. Malvena, cleaning vault, Union . | 3 00 | |
| William H. Cobb, hanging wire, Pond . | 2 53 | |
| Peter Ness, paints and labor, Union, . | 8 22 | |
| George H. Holbrook, stock and labor, | | |
| Middle street | 2 75 | |
| Hayward Brothers, stock and labor | | |
| East | 38 63 | |
| B. F. Dickerson, fitting keys, . . . | 75 | |
| Willard Small, supplies, | 20 04 | |
| Charles L. Hunt, cash paid supplies, . | 7 07 | |
| J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber, East . . | 70 40 | |
| M. L. Tupper, repairs, High | 1 65 | |
| M. L. Tupper, repairs, Pond | 3 25 | |
| S. W. Pratt, hardware, Iron Works, . | 1 30 | |
| G. C. Hollenbeck, two stands, | | |
| Middle street | 1 50 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, Union | 20 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, Pond | 2 01 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, Supt., | 1 08 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, High | 2 15 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, South West . | 1 76 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies, South | 1 15 | |
| Joseph I. Bates, labor on stoves, . . | 9 73 | |
| Josiah Penniman, ink wells, | 5 00 | |
| Josiah Penniman, repairs, Pond . . . | 1 00 | |
| Josiah Penniman, paint and labor, | | |
| Union | 4 35 | |
| Josiah Penniman, repairing black- | | |
| boards | 5 42 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$422 65 |

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

| | |
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| Appropriation | \$800 00 |
| Paid Adams, Ingraham & Co., supplies . | \$71 84 |
| Ginn & Co., supplies | 31 49 |
| Carl Schoenhof, supplies | 6 84 |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies . | 17 82 |
| Winchester Furniture Co. | 26 50 |
| Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., | 24 18 |
| Boston School Supply Co. | 15 62 |
| J. L. Hammett | 26 88 |
| C. L. Hunt, expenses | 9 31 |
| Harper Brothers, supplies | 43 69 |
| Willard Small | 4 00 |
| Clark & Maynard | 126 10 |
| Geo. F. King & Merrill | 42 66 |
| A. Lovell & Co. | 3 60 |
| Silver, Rogers & Co. | 28 03 |
| Interstate Publishing Co. | 15 00 |
| D. C. Heath & Co. | 12 25 |
| C. H. Whiting | 149 98 |
| Wallace Spooner | 15 00 |
| William Ware & Co. | 6 50 |
| Educational Publishing Co. | 7 92 |
| Thompson, Brown & Co. | 3 20 |
| Potter & Coates | 14 00 |
| Heath & Co. | 1 33 |
| F. M. Ambrose | 19 00 |
| Warren P. Adams | 12 80 |
| Prang Educational Co. | 10 80 |
| D. Appleton & Co. | 46 33 |
| Weeks & Potter | 1 94 |
| George S. Perry | 31 40 |
| J. G. Roberts | 7 00 |
| Daniel Pratt & Sons | 13 50 |
| C. B. Woodsum, expressing | 13 65 |
| Holden Cover Co. | 3 13 |
| Thorp & Adams Manufacturing Co. . | 1 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$865 09 |

POOR IN ALMSHOUSE.

Dr.

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,800 00 |
| Appraisal Feb. 1, 1887 | \$2,103 42 |
| Paid Morrill Williams, services as super- | |
| intendent | 350 00 |
| Morrill Williams, cash paid sundries . | 32 72 |
| Hired girl | 140 50 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal | 248 89 |
| F. W. Morrill, for butter | 15 00 |
| John F. Nickerson, groceries | 93 06 |
| C. H. Hobart, groceries | 73 34 |
| H. M. White, groceries | 52 82 |
| J. M. Arnold, groceries | 101 73 |
| Horace Dana, groceries | 54 16 |
| Hollis & Weeks, groceries and meat . | 104 46 |
| R. Porter, meat | 73 58 |
| John F. Eaton, meat | 61 75 |
| Jewett & Chace, butter | 19 32 |
| Bradford & Mansfield, groceries . . . | 26 23 |
| J. Dexheimer, Jr., fish | 15 47 |
| B. S. Snow & Co., salt fish | 5 00 |
| O. M. Rogers, tin-ware, iron-ware and | |
| repairs | 27 30 |
| Ambler & Hobart, grain | 169 20 |
| W. A. Hodges, bread and crackers . . | 49 43 |
| Braintree Clothing Store, clothing . . | 85 00 |
| John Rennie, hay | 18 00 |
| Timothy H. Libby, hay | 21 00 |
| Timothy H. Libby, ploughing | 3 50 |
| Charles Thayer, bbl. apples | 1 25 |
| Moses T. Dyer, killing hogs | 5 00 |
| Joseph Dyer, wood | 20 00 |
| N. H. Hunt, wood | 15 31 |
| A. S. Kane & Co., dry goods | 46 71 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <i>\$4,033 15</i> |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$4,033 15 |
| Paid Ford & McCormick, burial of Tristram Dalton | 15 00 |
| G. C. Hollenbeck, burial of Sally White | 15 00 |
| G. C. Hollenbeck, burial of Caroline Littlefield | 15 00 |
| W. Austin Torrey, medicine | 14 79 |
| H. B. Whitman, new harness and repairs | 38 00 |
| H. H. Thayer, repairs on wagon | 2 50 |
| John Rennie, cleaning drain | 2 00 |
| William Reed, cow | 62 50 |
| Henry Gardner, repairs on water-pipes | 5 50 |
| C. B. Woodsum, expressing | 3 45 |
| Melvin French, repairing pump | 1 00 |
| Edward Shay, blacksmith work | 9 80 |
| Noah Torrey, medical attendance on inmates | 30 50 |
| Noah Torrey, medical attendance on Sally White | 1 25 |
| | ————— \$4,249 44 |

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| Appraisal Feb. 1, 1888 | \$2,012 15 |
| To labor and produce | 127 63 |
| To kindling for schools and Town House | 71 70 |
| | ————— \$2,211 48 |
| Total cost of poor in almshouse | \$2,037 96 |
| Less amounts due from town of Holbrook | \$118 25 |
| Less amounts due from Christian Hanson | 38 25 |
| Less amounts due from town of Quincy | 25 75 |
| Less amounts paid by Christian Hanson | 88 75 |
| | ————— 271 00 |
| | ————— \$1,766 96 |

INMATES OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

| | AGE. | DAYS. |
|----------------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| John Somers, | 92 | 365 |
| Charles Hayden, | 82 | 365 |
| Tristram Dalton, | 78 | 110 |
| Ezra Dyer, | 70 | 365 |
| George Littlefield, | 62 | 365 |
| Charles Hayden, 2d, | 60 | 365 |
| John Hennesey, | 30 | 90 |
| Nathaniel McKinley, | 16 | 112 |
| Stillman Leavett, | 10 | 365 |
| Johanna McMahan, | 93 | 365 |
| Elizabeth Saunders, | 88 | 365 |
| Elizabeth Penniman, | 78 | 365 |
| Sally White, | 82 | 257 |
| Caroline Littlefield, | 63 | 356 |
| Mary Goodman, | 50 | 365 |
| Sarah McComish, | 50 | 312 |
| Emily C. Hanson, | 36 | 365 |
| Carrie E. Leavett, | 10 | 279 |
| Maude M. Leavett, | 7 | 279 |
| Catherine Leavett, | 4 | 279 |
| Thomas Leavett, | 2 | 279 |
| Mrs. Henry Willey, | 28 | 22 |
| Minnie Willey, | 11 | 22 |
| Ella Willey, | 2 | 22 |
| James H. Willey, | 3 mos. | 22 |
| Annie McNeil, | 65 | 16 |
| Daisy Aaron, | 17 | 17 |
| Lizzie Corkery, | 24 | 24 |
| Infant son, | — | 24 |
| 212 tramps, | . | 212 |
| Total number of days, | . | 6,749 |
| Total number of weeks, | . | 964 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Total cost per week, | . | \$2 11+ |

APPRAISAL OF PROPERTY AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 horse, | \$200 00 | <i>Am't brought forward,</i> \$609 90 | |
| 1 cow, | 62 00 | 4 steel drills, . . | 7 00 |
| 2 pigs, | 30 00 | 4 grub hoes, . . | 2 00 |
| 1 covered wagon, . | 70 00 | Manure, | 37 50 |
| 1 express wagon, . | 9 00 | 4 harnesses, . . | 45 00 |
| 1 hay wagon, . . | 36 00 | Whippletree, four | |
| 1 farm wagon. . . | 8 00 | chains, | 2 00 |
| 2 tip carts, . . . | 60 00 | Currycomb, brushes, | 25 |
| 1 wheel jack and | | Meadow shoes, . . | 50 |
| wrench, | 1 50 | Grindstone, . . . | 3 50 |
| 1 horse sled, . . | 2 50 | Work bench, . . . | 2 00 |
| 1 sleigh, | 5 00 | 3 ladders, | 4 50 |
| 2 ploughs, | 6 00 | Rubber hose and | |
| 1 harrow, | 2 00 | carriage, | 15 00 |
| 1 drag, | 2 00 | Steel balances, . . | 2 50 |
| 1 wheelbarrow, . . | 2 50 | 2 robes and blankets, | 7 00 |
| 2 snow ploughs, . | 12 00 | Coal sifter, | 30 |
| 49 hens, | 36 75 | Ice chest, | 2 50 |
| Hay and straw, . . | 45 00 | Ice tongs, | 50 |
| 4 hay rakes, . . . | 50 | 10 cords of wood, . | 45 00 |
| 2 hay ropes, . . . | 75 | 2 stoves and range, | 60 00 |
| 4 iron rakes, . . . | 1 00 | 2 boilers, | 3 75 |
| 5 hoes, | 1 00 | 1 steam cooker, . . | 7 00 |
| 1 iron bar, | 1 00 | Iron, stone and wood- | |
| Forks, | 3 00 | en ware, | 16 00 |
| 2 picks, | 3 00 | Crockery and glass- | |
| 1 bush hook, . . . | 50 | ware, | 15 00 |
| 1 bill hook, . . . | 35 | Lamps and lanterns, | 2 50 |
| 2 scythes and three | | Extension table, . . | 7 50 |
| snaths, | 1 25 | Dining table, . . . | 5 50 |
| 2 bush scythes, . . | 1 25 | Dining table, . . . | 3 00 |
| 1 sickle, | 30 | 2 tables and covers, | 6 00 |
| 4 axes and 4 saws, | 4 00 | 1 pine table, . . . | 1 75 |
| 2 saw horses, . . . | 50 | 10 toilet tables, . . | 13 00 |
| Stone tools, | 75 | Office table and chairs | 17 00 |
| Beetle and wedges, . | 50 | 1 desk, | 5 00 |
| <i>Am't carried forward,</i> \$609 90 | | <i>Am't carried forward,</i> \$949 95 | |

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| <i>Am't brought forward,</i> \$949 95 | | <i>Am't brought forward,</i> \$1,231 95 | |
| 24 chairs, | 22 00 | Butter stamp, . . . | 75 |
| 40 chairs, | 10 00 | Crackers, | 2 25 |
| 12 chairs, | 7 00 | Salt fish, | 2 00 |
| 6 rocking chairs, . | 7 00 | Spices, preserves and | |
| 1 wheel chair, . . | 10 00 | provisions, . . . | 12 00 |
| Tablecloths, . . . | 6 00 | Vinegar, | 50 |
| Towels, | 5 00 | Coal, | 80 00 |
| Scalding tub, . . | 50 | 3 coal hods, . . . | 40 |
| 6 wash tubs, . . | 2 00 | 32 barrels, . . . | 3 20 |
| 12 water pails, . . | 2 00 | Set of meaures, . . | 1 50 |
| Clothes horses, . . | 1 00 | 2 bushel baskets, . | 60 |
| Clothes wringer, . | 3 50 | Bell, | 50 |
| 8 clothes lines, . | 2 50 | Churn, | 1 00 |
| 7 flat irons, . . . | 2 00 | 1 chest of drawers, | 2 50 |
| Watering pot, . . | 75 | 2 chests, | 1 50 |
| Washing machine, . | 60 | 1 trunk, | 50 |
| 5 baskets and 5 | | Crutches, | 75 |
| wash boards, . | 3 45 | 1 closet, | 1 00 |
| 500 lbs. squash, . | 10 00 | 8 spittoons, . . . | 5 00 |
| Sweet corn, . . . | 14 00 | Bed pan, | 1 50 |
| Meal chest and meal, | 1 25 | Rubber blanket, . . | 50 |
| Grain, | 4 00 | 20 chambers, . . . | 10 00 |
| 20 meal bags, . . | 5 00 | Brushes, brooms, etc. | 2 00 |
| Supplies, | 2 50 | Knives and forks, . | 5 00 |
| 4 barrels of flour, | 22 50 | 4 oil cans and oil, | 4 00 |
| 12 lbs. coffee, . . | 1 50 | Soap, | 6 00 |
| 1½ lbs. tea, . . . | 1 05 | Tobacco cutter, . . | 2 75 |
| 700 lbs. salt pork, . | 70 00 | Handcuffs, . . . | 1 00 |
| 112 lbs. ham, . . | 13 50 | Straw matting, . . | 4 00 |
| 135 lbs. lard, . . | 16 20 | 2 woolen carpets, | 7 50 |
| Vegetables, . . . | 1 50 | Oil cloth and mat, | 5 00 |
| Seed corn, . . . | 1 00 | 3 door mats, . . . | 2 00 |
| 2 gals. molasses and | | 3 looking glasses, | 1 50 |
| barrel, | 2 20 | 2 wooden bedsteads, | 6 00 |
| Sugar, | 27 00 | 22 iron bedsteads, . | 162 80 |
| Butter, | 3 50 | 3 iron bedsteads, . | 15 00 |
| <i>Am't carried forward,</i> \$1,231 95 | | <i>Am't carried forward,</i> \$1,584 45 | |

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|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|
| <i>Am't brought forward,</i> | \$1,584 45 | <i>Am't brought forward,</i> | \$1,898 45 |
| 2 clocks, | 10 00 | Sewing machine, . | 20 00 |
| 27 mattresses, . . | 40 00 | 24 wire window | |
| 1 canvas mattress, | 1 75 | screens, . . . | 7 20 |
| 17 feather beds, . | 85 00 | 2 wire screen doors, | 1 50 |
| 35 pillows, . . . | 22 00 | New lumber, . . . | 3 00 |
| 65 pillow cases, . | 13 00 | 2 spring balances, | 50 |
| 87 sheets, | 35 00 | Potatoes, | 30 00 |
| 29 pairs blankets, . | 43 00 | Wood, cut, | 44 00 |
| 35 comforters, . . | 25 00 | Hammer and wrench, | 1 50 |
| 3 white bedspreads, | 2 25 | Tackle and fall, . . | 2 00 |
| Air pillow, | 2 00 | 8 shovels, | 4 00 |
| Window curtains, . | 35 00 | | |
| <i>Am't carried forward,</i> | \$1,898 45 | Total, | \$2,012 15 |

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,800 00 |
| Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital, support of | |
| Jacob Veasie | \$76 54 |
| Taunton Lunatic Hospital, support of | |
| William Kincaide | 193 15 |
| Taunton Lunatic Hospital, support of | |
| John Hennesey | 147 16 |
| | <u> </u> \$416 85 |

MRS. NIGHTENGALE.

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Paid Bradford & Mansfield, goods for . | \$12 00 |
| C. H. Hobart, goods for | 14 05 |
| R. Porter, | 3 00 |
| M. L. Tupper, coal | 19 75 |
| H. M. White, groceries | 2 00 |
| | <u> </u> \$50 80 |

BETSY WILD.

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid Martin L. Curtis, sawing wood . . . | \$12 00 | |
| L. F. Belcher, wood . . . | 26 38 | |
| Town of Holbrook, aid . . . | 12 53 | |
| | <hr/> | \$50 91 |

THOMAS J. DALTON.

| | | |
|---|--------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | \$7 55 | |
| H. A. Pettengill, groceries . . . | 5 00 | |
| John Crane, shoes . . . | 4 75 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . . . | 6 25 | |
| Lewis J. Hart, shoes . . . | 1 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$24 80 |

THOMAS J. GRIFFIN.

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | \$15 23 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . . . | 2 25 | |
| Noah Torrey, medical attendance . . . | 75 | |
| W. A. Torrey, medicine . . . | 7 15 | |
| D. J. Pierce, medicine . . . | 3 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$28 98 |

TERENCE STARR.

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | \$11 68 | |
| John Taylor, groceries . . . | 8 00 | |
| John Crane, shoes . . . | 4 00 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . . . | 11 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$35 18 |

GORMAN CHILDREN.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Paid H. A. Pettengill, groceries . . . | \$104 00 | |
| John Crane, shoes, . . . | 13 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$117 60 |

MRS. SANDERSON AND CHILDREN.

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Paid Town of Randolph, aid to . . . | \$70 01 | |
| Dr. F. C. Granger, medical attendance . . . | 7 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$77 51 |

MRS. GARDNER MANSFIELD.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Town of Randolph, aid to . . . | \$60 00 | |
| Dr. A. L. Chace, medical attendance | 23 33 | |
| | <hr/> | \$83 33 |

LEAVETT CHILDREN.

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid Henry M. White, groceries for . . . | \$30 00 | |
| C. H. Hobart, shoes | 3 30 | |
| | <hr/> | \$33 30 |

SAMUEL E. WHITMARSH.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid Town of Pembroke, aid to . . . | \$196 02 | |
| | <hr/> | \$196 02 |

MRS. WILLIAM FOGG.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid City of Lynn, aid to | \$15 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$15 50 |

GEORGE C. BUKER.

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid Noah Torrey, medical attendance . | \$15 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$15 00 |

MRS. JOHN KERBY.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Mrs. E. Conneton, nursing . . . | \$23 00 | |
| Frank H. Morgan, medicine . . . | 7 02 | |
| Hollis & Weeks, groceries . . . | 1 61 | |
| | <hr/> | \$31 63 |

ELIZABETH NASON.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid Benj. F. Smith, medicine . . . | \$1 70 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1 70 |

JOSEPH W. THAYER.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Paid Cash, aid | \$5 00 | |
| M. L. Tupper, coal | 7 75 | |
| C. H. Hobart, groceries | 2 40 | |
| J. M. Arnold, groceries | 3 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$18 15 |

JOHN HENNESEY.

| | | |
|---|-------|---------|
| Paid Braintree Clothing Store, clothing . | 14 65 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . | 2 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$16 65 |

NIGHTENGALE BOY.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Paid C. H. Hobart, shoes | 2 75 | |
| Braintree Clothing Store, clothing . | 10 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$12 75 |

ANDREW NIGHTENGALE.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid H. M. White, groceries | \$2 00 | |
| M. L. Tupper, coal | 4 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6 25 |

ELISHA B. NIGHTENGALE.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid H. M. White, groceries | \$2 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2 00 |

C. HENRY HAYDEN.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid C. H. Hobart, groceries | \$10 13 | |
| T. F. Finnegan, wood | 2 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$12 63 |

LEONARDO MORALES.

| | | |
|--|--------|---------|
| Paid S. W. Pratt, repairs on stove . . | \$2 76 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal | 19 20 | |
| H. A. Pettengill, groceries | 3 00 | |
| Dr. G. D. Bullock, medical attendance | 2 68 | |
| F. H. Morgan, medicine | 7 53 | |
| | <hr/> | \$35 17 |

HERBERT W. LEONARD.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid City of Boston, aid to | \$37 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$37 00 |

JOSEPH GUNNING.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid City of Boston, aid to | \$6 88 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6 88 |

WILLIAM H. MULLIGAN.

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid George F. Wilson, groceries . . . | \$15 00 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | 18 95 | |
| | <hr/> | \$33 95 |

S. G. LEAVETT.

| | | |
|--|--------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | \$3 25 | |
| C. H. Custance, wood | 3 50 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . . | 13 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$20 25 |

BRIDGET MC CORMICK.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Town of Weymouth, aid | \$11 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$11 50 |

HANLON CHILD.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid City of Boston, aid | \$3 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3 50 |

SARAH MC COMISH.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Paid W. A. Torrey, medicine | \$0 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$0 25 |

MARIA HALL.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid Charlotte A. Hayden, nursing . . | \$10 00 | |
| G. C. Hollenbeck, expenses | 5 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$15 00 |

JACOB C. SNOW.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Paid City of Brockton, aid | \$43 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$43 00 |

LIZZIE CORKERY.

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Paid Horace Faxon, services and expenses | \$13 20 | |
| | <hr/> | \$13 20 |
| Paid C. E. Hill, conveying pauper to almshouse | \$0 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$0 75 |

POOR OF OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS.

MRS. A. L. COLE, (CHARGED TO BROCKTON.)

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Paid H. M. White, groceries . . . | \$106 00 | |
| M. L. Tupper, coal . . . | 2 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$108 25 |

WILLIAM R. LYNCH, (CHARGED TO BROCKTON.)

| | | |
|--|-------|---------|
| Paid Bradford & Mansfield, groceries . | 9 00 | |
| H. M. White, groceries . . . | 3 00 | |
| Noah Torrey, medical attendance . | 1 50 | |
| C. H. Hobart, groceries . . . | 9 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$22 50 |

ALVA M. NIGHTENGALE, (CHARGED TO DUXBURY.)

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid Bradford & Mansfield, groceries . | \$27 00 | |
| C. R. Hobart, groceries . . . | 3 00 | |
| H. M. White, groceries . . . | 2 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$32 00 |

JOHN F. O'BRIEN, (CHARGED TO STATE.)

| | | |
|--|--------|---------|
| Paid Benjamin Stevens, digging grave . | \$3 00 | |
| George C. Hollenbeck, burial of . | 10 00 | |
| Noah Torrey, medical attendance . | 4 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$17 00 |

MRS. DEVINEY, (CHARGED TO STATE.)

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid H. A. Pettengill, groceries . . . | \$27 00 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . | 7 00 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | 10 20 | |
| John Crane, shoes . . . | 2 75 | |
| Mrs. Gillespie, house rent . . . | 10 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$56 95 |

R. H. MOSES, (CHARGED TO STATE.)

| | | |
|--|--------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . . | \$3 25 | |
| J. M. Arnold, groceries . . . | 9 19 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . | 8 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$20 69 |

JAMES F. FOLEY, (CHARGED TO BOSTON.)

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|---------|---------|
| Paid J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal | . | . | . | \$14 25 | |
| John Taylor, groceries | . | . | . | 3 00 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$17 25 |

MRS. HENRY J. WILLEY, (CHARGED TO QUINCY.)

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|--------|---------|
| Paid Mary Binney, nursing | . | . | . | \$7 00 | |
| John Taylor, groceries | . | . | . | 17 00 | |
| T. H. Dearing, medical attendance | . | . | . | 3 50 | |
| Benj. F. Smith, medicine | . | . | . | 2 25 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal | . | . | . | 5 15 | |
| John Crane, shoes | . | . | . | 3 08 | |
| William Kiley, milk | . | . | . | 2 40 | |
| F. A. Burrell, use of team | . | . | . | 2 50 | |
| D. J. Pierce, medicine | . | . | . | 1 00 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$43 88 |

SARAH SPROULE, (CHARGED TO NEWTON.)

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|--------|--------|
| Paid S. C. Bridgham, medical attendance | . | . | . | \$5 50 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$5 50 |

MOSES BRUSO, (CHARGED TO BOYLSTON.)

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|--------|---------|
| Paid Edward Hobart, wood | . | . | . | \$3 00 | |
| M. L. Tupper, coal | . | . | . | 3 75 | |
| C. H. Hobart, groceries | . | . | . | 15 21 | |
| J. W. Hollis, meat | . | . | . | 4 31 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$26 27 |

MRS. O'LEARY, (CHARGED TO STATE.)

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|--------|--------|
| Paid J. M. Arnold, groceries | . | . | . | \$2 00 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$2 00 |

RUFUS E. MANN, (CHARGED TO CANTON.)

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|--------|--------|
| Paid H. M. White, groceries | . | . | . | \$3 00 | |
| M. L. Tupper, coal | . | . | . | 4 50 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$7 50 |

MARY BINNEY, (CHARGED TO WEYMOUTH.)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|-------|-------|
| Paid T. H. Dearing, medical attendance | . | . | . | \$ 75 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$ 75 |

JOHN SHEEHAN AND FAMILY, (CHARGED TO WEYMOUTH.)

| | | |
|--|--------|--------|
| Paid T. H. Dearing, medical attendance . | \$2 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2 75 |

SALLY WHITE, (CHARGED TO HOLBROOK.)

| | | |
|---|--------|--------|
| Paid F. A. Burrell, teams to Holbrook . | \$4 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4 75 |

JAMES E. WHEELER, (CHARGED TO BOSTON.)

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Paid Noah Torrey, medical attendance . | \$18 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$18 75 |

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| Total, | | \$1,854 78 |
|------------------|--|------------|

Cr.

Due from city of Brockton for Mrs. A. L.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Cole | \$108 25 | |
| From city of Brockton for W. R. Lynch | 22 50 | |
| From Duxbury for A. M. Nightingale | 32 00 | |
| From State for John F. O'Brien . | 17 00 | |
| From State for Mrs. Deviney . . | 56 95 | |
| From State for R. H. Moses . . | 20 69 | |
| From State for Mrs. O'Leary . . | 2 00 | |
| From Quincy for Mrs. Henry Willey | 43 88 | |
| From Boston for James F. Foley . | 17 25 | |
| From Boston for James E. Wheeler . | 18 75 | |
| From Newton for Sarah Sproule . | 5 50 | |
| From Boylston for Moses Bruso . | 26 27 | |
| From Canton for Rufus E. Mann . | 7 50 | |
| From Weymouth for Mary Binney . | 75 | |
| From Weymouth for John Sheehan . | 2 75 | |
| From Holbrook for Sally White . | 4 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$386 79 |

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| Total | | \$1,467 99 |
|-----------------|--|------------|

STATE AID, Chap. 301.

NO APPROPRIATION.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| Cash paid families of soldiers from Feb. 1, 1887, to Feb. 1, 1888 | \$1,283 50 | |
| Cash paid for month of January, 1887 | 113 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Due from State | | \$1,396 50 |

SOLDIERS' AID, Chap. 252.

NO APPROPRIATION.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Paid George B. Jones | \$48 00 | |
| John Flood | 72 00 | |
| Jacob C. Snow | 90 00 | |
| Samuel F. Whitmarsh | 144 00 | |
| S. G. Buker | 120 00 | |
| C. S. Chandler | 48 00 | |
| Lawrence A. Dyer | 48 00 | |
| Benj. F. Spear | 18 00 | |
| John O. Keefe | 36 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$624 00 |
| Paid January, 1887 | | 52 00 |
| One-half due from State | | \$338 00 |

HOSPITALS.

NO APPROPRIATION.

Dr.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital for board of insane | \$451 92 | |
| | <hr/> | \$451 92 |

Cr.

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|--|----------|----------|
| Due for support of Alden Bowditch | \$184 65 | |
| To cash refunded (see Treasurer's account) | 267 27 | |
| | <hr/> | \$451 92 |

TOWN LANDS.

| | | |
|--|---------|----------|
| Paid John Rennie, 6 day's labor, at \$2.00 . | \$12 00 | |
| Andrew Dyer, 1 day's labor, at \$2.00 . | 2 00 | |
| J. F. Holbrook, 1 day's labor . . . | 1 75 | |
| Horace F. Hunt, 1 day's labor . . . | 1 75 | |
| T. F. Finnegan, carting manure . . . | 3 38 | |
| F. P. Lothrop, manure | 9 00 | |
| H. M. Hobart, labor | 5 60 | |
| Thomas B. Stoddard, painting fence . | 42 50 | |
| J. B. Wood, building fence | 12 37 | |
| C. H. Hobart, paints | 30 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$120 35 |

TOWN HALL.

| | | |
|--|------------|----------|
| Paid E. A. Dustin, tuning piano . . . | \$4 00 | |
| Paul F. DeLang, cleaning clock . . . | 75 | |
| W. A. Torrey, supplies | 1 60 | |
| Lyman E. Penniman, repairs on gas and water-pipes | 11 25 | |
| Bradford & Mansfield, oils, etc. . . . | 5 06 | |
| Thomas B. Stoddard, painting and setting glass | 9 50 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal | 50 10 | |
| George Sumner, repairs | 3 00 | |
| Walworth Manufacturing Company, gasoline | 73 65 | |
| Walworth Manufacturing Company, repairs | 3 50 | |
| O. M. Rogers, repairs | 77 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies | 15 74 | |
| C. B. Woodsum, expressing | 7 52 | |
| Sanborn & Damon, repairs on stoves and pipe | 8 50 | |
| Morrill Williams, kindlings | 9 90 | |
| Edward Shay, wrench | 1 00 | |
| M. L. Tupper, repairs on door | 75 | |
| G. C. Hollenbeck, table and desk . . . | 4 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$211 34 |
| | <i>Cr.</i> | |
| For use of hall | \$165 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$165 00 |

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Appropriation | \$150 00 |
| Paid M. A. Perkins, quartermaster | \$150 00 |
| | <u>\$150 00</u> |

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Appropriation | \$690 00 |
| Paid N. F. T. Hayden, treasurer | \$690 00 |
| | <u>\$650 00</u> |

DELIVERING BOOKS TO EAST BRAINTREE.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
| Reappropriation | 42 76 |
| Paid Alverdo Mason | 87 50 |
| Edwin E. Harris | 21 00 |
| W. E. Dailey | 7 26 |
| Theodore Edson | 27 00 |
| | <u>\$142 76</u> |
| Appropriation | \$600 00 |
| Paid John R. Carmichael | 600 00 |

COLLECTION AND ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Paid C. A. Stevenson, abatement of tax, 1886 | \$ 2 00 |
| William P. Bird, abatement of tax, 1886 | 6 00 |
| John M. Grant, abatement of tax, 1886. | 2 00 |
| Charles W. Thayer, abatement of tax, 1886 | 99 |
| Charles Thayer, collector of taxes, 1886 | 179 78 |
| C. F. Cushing, abatement of tax, 1886 | 6 60 |
| Joseph Dyer, on F. Hall's estate, 1885 | 6 40 |
| Thomas Lang, on tax of 1887 | 8 00 |
| John Fallon, on tax of 1887 | 1 20 |
| John Q. Denton, on tax of 1887 | 2 00 |
| Albert Hobart, on tax of 1887 | 4 00 |
| Neil McRae | 2 40 |
| Joseph Dyer, collecting tax of 1885 | 387 44 |
| | <u>\$609 41</u> |

DRAWBRIDGE AND BUOYS.

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Paid Horace J. Richards, tending draw- bridge | \$100 00 | |
| Horace J. Richards, stock and repairs | 3 00 | |
| Loud & Pratt, lumber and nails . . . | 7 88 | |
| A. W. Whitmarsh, labor | 2 75 | |
| Thomas South, labor | 1 50 | |
| Robert M. Loring, labor | 2 00 | |
| W. I. Jordan | 1 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$118 38 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|--|
| Appropriation | \$ 1,800 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |

UNION No. 1.

| | | |
|--|---------|----------|
| Paid Thomas South, repairs | \$14 75 | |
| F. O. Whitmarsh, repairs on house . . | 10 15 | |
| William Orr, services as steward . . . | 50 00 | |
| Sumner & Oliver, repairs | 11 50 | |
| F. O. Wellington, repairs | 2 10 | |
| J. M. Walch, repairs | 4 43 | |
| George S. Baker, rope | 74 | |
| George E. Fogg, drawing engine . . . | 8 00 | |
| Albert Hobart, drawing engine . . . | 5 00 | |
| Joseph M. Allen, drawing engine, . . | 5 00 | |
| S. W. Pratt, repairs | 2 87 | |
| H. A. Pettengill, chimneys | 1 00 | |
| Howe & French, supplies | 4 62 | |
| Hayward Brothers, labor | 1 38 | |
| C. Callahan & Co., 2 nozzles | 30 00 | |
| N. F. Hunt, poll taxes, 18 members . | 36 00 | |
| John V. Scollard, pay of 50 members | 464 00 | |
| James Wilson, oil | 1 62 | |
| | <hr/> | \$653 16 |

BUTCHER BOY, No. 2.

| | | |
|--|--------|----------|
| Paid F. O. Whitmarsh, mason work . . . | \$9 62 | |
| J. H. Clark, setting glass . . . | 3 50 | |
| Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies . . . | 3 15 | |
| Sumner & Oliver, packing . . . | 18 75 | |
| Sumner & Oliver, repairs . . . | 25 25 | |
| H. B. Whitman, repairs . . . | 3 00 | |
| George C. Hollenbeck . . . | 12 75 | |
| A. E. Bradford, setting glass . . . | 1 50 | |
| M. L. Tupper, coal . . . | 4 00 | |
| C. B. Woodsum, drawing engine . . . | 33 75 | |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies . . . | 10 83 | |
| H. M. White, supplies . . . | 12 56 | |
| E. Shay, blacksmith work . . . | 16 95 | |
| C. Callahan & Co., 2 nozzles . . . | 30 00 | |
| Thomas Huston, services as steward . . . | 50 00 | |
| N. F. Hunt, poll taxes . . . | 51 00 | |
| Prescott Burnham, pay of 48 mem- bers . . . | 429 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$715 61 |

HOOK AND LADDER.

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| Paid Robert Gillespie, repairs . . . | \$48 50 | |
| F. O. Whitmarsh, mason work . . . | 9 03 | |
| C. H. Ratcliffe, steward . . . | 30 00 | |
| William May, drawing truck . . . | 40 00 | |
| C. H. Custance, drawing truck, . . . | 5 00 | |
| C. H. Custance, wood . . . | 1 75 | |
| C. H. Custance, repairs . . . | 50 | |
| A. S. Jackson, washers . . . | 1 50 | |
| Hollis & Weeks, supplies . . . | 4 51 | |
| N. R. Proctor, supplies . . . | 2 88 | |
| R. Allen Gage, coal . . . | 9 00 | |
| N. F. Hunt, poll taxes . . . | 10 00 | |
| Charles Woodworth, pay of 19 men . . . | 180 00 | |
| Peter Ness, painting and setting glass . . . | 2 25 | |
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ENGINEERS AND INCIDENTALS.

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| Paid F. O. Whitmarsh, services as engineer . | \$10 00 | |
| F. O. Whitmarsh, services at forest fire ward | 1 50 | |
| M. A. Perkins, services as engineer . | 10 00 | |
| Edward O. Pierson, services as engineer | 10 00 | |
| Thos. Broidy, care of reservoir . . | 2 00 | |
| C. H. Daggett, care of reservoir . . | 1 50 | |
| G. R. M. Bestic, care of reservoir . | 2 00 | |
| J. M. Allen, filling reservoir . . | 10 50 | |
| John Maloney, watching fire . . | 2 00 | |
| J. B. Ford, watching fire | 2 00 | |
| Patrick O'Rourke, watching fire . . | 2 00 | |
| A. S. Jackson, lanterns | 7 00 | |
| Boston Woven Hose Co., lanterns . | 5 00 | |
| H. L. Thayer, horse hire | 1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$66 50 |
| Total , | | \$1,780 19 |

HIGHWAYS.

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| Appropriation | <u>\$1,000 00</u> |
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J. M. KNIGHT, SURVEYOR.

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| Paid G. E. Fogg, 37½ days, self, at \$2.00 . | \$75 00 |
| G. E. Fogg, 50½ days, single team, at \$1.50 | 75 75 |
| G. E. Fogg, 10 days, double team, self, at \$3.50 | 35 00 |
| H. Osborne, 3½ days, self, at \$1.50 . | 5 25 |
| H. Osborne, 14 days, double team, at \$5.25 | 73 50 |
| William Orr, 3 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 5 25 |
| William Orr, 5 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 16 25 |
| T. O'Keefe, 9 days, self, at \$1.50 . | 13 50 |
| T. O'Keefe, 16 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 28 00 |
| F. Starr, 4 days, self, at \$1.50 . . | 6 00 |
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| <i>Amount carried forward, . . .</i> | \$333 50 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$333 50 |
| F. Starr, 23 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, self, at \$1.75 . | 40 69 |
| F. Starr, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, single team, at \$1.50 . | 9 75 |
| F. Starr, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, double team, at \$3.50 | 11 38 |
| T. P. Fogg, 6 days, self, at \$1.50 . | 9 00 |
| T. P. Fogg, 8 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 14 00 |
| T. P. Fogg, 10 days, self and single team, at \$3.25. | 32 50 |
| T. P. Fogg, 2 days, self and double team, at \$5.25 | 10 50 |
| M. Bentley, 21 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 36 75 |
| M. Quinn, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.50 . | 2 25 |
| M. Quinn, 23 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 40 25 |
| M. Smith, 1 day, self and single team, at \$3.00 | 3 00 |
| M. Smith, 16 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 52 00 |
| T. Arthurs, 26 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 45 50 |
| J. O'Rourke, 12 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 21 00 |
| Henry Richards, 494 loads gravel, at 6c. | 29 64 |
| A. Roulston, 8 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 26 00 |
| A. Gott, 12 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 39 00 |
| B. J. Loring, 4 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 7 00 |
| T. J. Griffin, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.50 . | 11 25 |
| T. J. Griffin, 9 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 15 75 |
| T. F. Finnigan, 3 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 9 75 |
| T. J. Dalton, 1 day, self, at \$1.75 . | 1 75 |
| J. M. Allen, 4 days, double team, at \$3.50 | 14 00 |
| J. M. Allen, 2 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 3 50 |
| J. Q. Wilson, stone | 12 00 |
| J. Donaldson, 1 day, self, at \$1.50 . | 1 50 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$832 96 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$833 21 |
| T. H. Libby, 7 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 22 75 |
| T. H. Libby, 1½ days, self and single team, at \$3.50 | 5 25 |
| T. H. Libby, 1 day, self, at \$2.00 | 2 00 |
| T. H. Libby, 1½ days, man and single team, at \$3.00 | 4 50 |
| J. Maloney, ½ day, self, at \$1.50 | 75 |
| John Whittaker, 1 day, at \$1.50 | 1 50 |
| Frank Gerrior, 3 days, at \$1.50 | 4 50 |
| Frank Gerrior, 13¾ days, self and double team, at \$5.25 | 72 19 |
| G. H. Sampson, powder | 5 00 |
| J. B. Rhines & Co., drain pipe | 1 98 |
| C. C. Webster, 50 loads of gravel, at 10c. | 5 00 |
| S. W. Pratt, tools | 6 38 |
| Thomas South, Jr., blacksmith work | 2 35 |
| George S. Baker, tools | 21 88 |
| W. I. Jordan, blacksmith work | 6 65 |
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HIGHWAYS.

J. F. BATES.

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| Paid James Mehar, 54¼ days' work, at \$2.00 | \$108 50 |
| John Mehar, 8½ days' work, at \$1.50 | 12 75 |
| John Mehan, 48¾ days' work, at \$1.75 | 85 30 |
| T. F. Finnegan, 8½ days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 26 50 |
| T. F. Finnegan, 4 days, self and 2 horses, at \$5.00 | 20 00 |
| J. F. Bates, 89 days, and horse, at \$1.50 | 133 50 |
| Daniel Ahern, 2¼ days' work, at \$1.50 | 3 37 |
| Hugh McClusky, 4 days' work, at \$1.50 | 6 00 |
| Michael O'Brine, 31¼ days, self at \$1.75 | 54 68 |
| Michael O'Brine, 22¾ days, horse, at \$1.50 | 34 12 |
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| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$484 72 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | | \$484 72 |
| Paid William Spear, 23 days, at \$1.75 | 40 25 | |
| William Spear, 4 days, at \$1.50 | 6 00 | |
| Edward Shay, blacksmith work | 7 00 | |
| Edward Sullivan, 1 day's work | 1 75 | |
| George Hill, 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ days' work, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 46 31 | |
| John Gallivan, 22 days' work at \$1.75 | 38 50 | |
| Jerry White, 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ days' work, at \$1.75 | 41 56 | |
| Jerry White, 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ days' work, horse, at \$1.75 | 25 12 | |
| James Gorman, 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ days' work at \$1.75 | 29 31 | |
| Charles Holbrook, 2 days' work at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| Whitfield Witheral, 108 loads of gravel, at 10 cents | 10 80 | |
| Charles Ratcliff, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ days' work at \$1.75 | 3 94 | |
| Thomas Griffin, 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$1.75 | 24 06 | |
| Thomas Gannon, 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, at \$2.00 | 24 50 | |
| Michael Keen, 5 days' work, at \$1.75 | 8 75 | |
| Peter Donahue, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ days' work, at \$1.75 | 18 37 | |
| John E. Finnegan, 2 days' work, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| Andrew Dyer, 4 days' work, at \$2.00 | 8 00 | |
| Michael Brandley, 4 days' work, man and 2 horses, at \$5.00 | 20 00 | |
| L. W. Morrison, 899 loads of gravel, at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents | 112-37 | |
| G. C. Hollenback, repairing cart | 9 75 | |
| Hollis & Weeks, tools, | 13 21 | |
| Robert Gillespie, blacksmith work | 13 40 | |
| M. L. Tupper, drain pipe | 23 27 | |
| R. H. Moses, cleaning drain | 75 | |
| E. F. E. Thayer, man cleaning drain | 1 25 | |
| Thomas J. Bowers, blasting rock | 1 50 | |
| J. M. Arnold, rake | 50 | |
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| <i>Cr.</i> | | |
| By sale of cart | | \$20 00 |
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GENERAL REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

A. O. CLARK, SURVEYOR.

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| Appropriation | \$1,000 00 |
| Paid T. Finnegan, self and 2 horses, 9 days at \$5.00 | \$45 00 |
| T. F. Finnegan, self and 1 horse, 1 day | 3 50 |
| T. F. Finnegan, $\frac{1}{2}$ day | 1 00 |
| T. F. Finnegan, man and horse, $\frac{1}{2}$ day | 1 50 |
| T. F. Finnegan, $1\frac{1}{2}$ days at \$1.50 | 2 25 |
| T. F. Finnegan, 2 horses, 1 day | 3 00 |
| Andrew Dyer, $54\frac{1}{10}$ days, at \$2.00 | \$108 20 |
| Andrew Dyer, team, $55\frac{3}{10}$ days, at \$1.50 | 82 95 |
| William R. Lynch, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 | 4 37 |
| William R. Lynch, team, 2 days, at \$1.50 | 3 00 |
| T. H. Libby, 1 day | 1 75 |
| T. H. Libby, man and team, $\frac{1}{2}$ day | 1 50 |
| Patrick Maguire, man and team, $9\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$3.25 | 30 87 |
| Michael Brandley, man, 2 horses, 10 days, at \$5.00 | 50 00 |
| Michael Brandley, man, horse and cart, 10 days, at \$3.25 | 32 50 |
| Michael Brandley, man, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 |
| J. E. Finnegan, 6 days, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| J. E. Finnegan, self and team, 2 days, at \$3.25 | 6 50 |
| Thomas Finnegan, self and team, 1 day | 3 25 |
| Thomas Finnegan, self, 5 days, at \$1.75 | 8 75 |
| Patrick Moils, self and team, 2 days, at \$3.25 | 6 50 |
| Jacob S. Dyer, self and team, $11\frac{4}{10}$ days, at \$3.25 | 37 05 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <u>\$447 54</u> |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . | \$447 54 |
| Paid Jacob S. Dyer, self, 1 day . . . | 1 75 |
| Jacob S. Dyer, team, $1\frac{3}{10}$ days, at \$1.50 | 1 95 |
| Jacob S. Dyer, man, $4\frac{3}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 | 7 52 |
| Daniel Ahearn, $\frac{1}{2}$ day, at \$1.50 . . . | 75 |
| John C. Holbrook, 16 days, at \$1.75 | 28 00 |
| Martin Connor, $16\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 . . | 28 87 |
| Josiah F. Holbrook, $52\frac{3}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 | 91 52 |
| Horace F. Hunt, 45 days, at \$1.75 . . | 78 75 |
| Edward Huston, 16 days, at \$1.75 . . | 28 00 |
| Michael McManus, 7 days, at \$1.75 . . | 12 25 |
| Emery Watkins, $1\frac{6}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 . . | 2 80 |
| John Rennie, 8 days, at \$2.00 . . . | 16 00 |
| George E. Smith, $1\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 . . | 2 62 |
| Alden H. Holbrook, $13\frac{7}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 | 23 97 |
| John Buttomer, $27\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 . . | 48 12 |
| Lawrence A. Dyer, $25\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 | 44 62 |
| Henry A. Pierce, $1\frac{1}{2}$ day, at \$2.00 . . | 3 00 |
| James Martin, cutting bushes . . . | 2 00 |
| Patrick Maguire, 98 loads of gravel, at 8 cents | 7 84 |
| Jacob S. Dyer, 4 loads of gravel, at 10 cents | 40 |
| George W. Jones, 103 loads of gravel, at 10 cents | 10 30 |
| George B. French, 50 loads of gravel, 6 cents | 3 00 |
| L. Bradford Hollis, 49 loads of gravel, at 8 cents | 3 92 |
| N. H. Hunt, 134 loads of gravel, at 8 cents | 10 72 |
| N. A. White, 45 loads of gravel, at 8 cents | 3 60 |
| J. F. Sheppard, 16 loads of gravel, at 10 cents | 1 60 |
| Thayer Academy, 436 loads of gravel, at $16\frac{2}{3}$ cents | 72 67 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$983 98 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> . . . | \$983 98 |
| Paid Atherton T. Wild, 30 loads of rotten stone, at 15 cents | 4 50 |
| Joseph Dyer, 34 posts, at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents . . | 4 25 |
| G. D. Willis, 30 loads of gravel, at 15 cents | 4 50 |
| George Tyler, section of scraper . . | 8 00 |
| J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber . . . | 35 08 |
| C. H. Hobart, supplies | 4 28 |
| M. L. Tupper, drain pipe | 5 80 |
| Edward Shay, sharpening tools . . | 1 00 |
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| By sale of cart | \$25 00 |
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| | \$1,026 39 |
| Total for general repairs | \$3,024 22 |

STONE ROAD.

A. O. CLARK, SURVEYOR.

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| Appropriation | \$3,000 00 |
| Paid Andrew Dyer, $55\frac{2}{10}$ days, at \$2.00 . . | \$110 40 |
| Andrew Dyer, team $57\frac{7}{10}$ days, at \$1.50 | 86 55 |
| Andrew Dyer, cash paid for paper and nails | 1 15 |
| Michael Brandley, $23\frac{3}{10}$ days, man, at \$1.75 | 58 29 |
| Michael Brandley, $21\frac{1}{2}$ days, man and 2 horses, at \$5.00 | 12 50 |
| Michael Brandley, $28\frac{8}{10}$ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 43 20 |
| Michael Brandley, 7 days, man and 4 horses, rolling, at \$8.00 | 56 00 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$368 09 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> . . . | \$368 09 |
| Paid Michael Brandley, $1\frac{7}{10}$ day, man and 3 horses | 4 55 |
| Michael Brandley, carting 44 loads of stone, at 25c. | 11 00 |
| Michael Brandley, carting 1 load of gravel | 25 |
| S. S. B. French and team, 13 days, at \$3.25 | 42 25 |
| Jacob S. Dyer and team, $33\frac{2}{10}$ days, at \$3.25 | 107 89 |
| Jacob S. Dyer, man, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 |
| Jacob S. Dyer, 11 loads of loam, at $16\frac{2}{3}$ c. | 1 83 |
| Patrick Moils and team, 12 days, at \$3.25 | 39 00 |
| William R. Lynch and team, $3\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$3.25 | 11 37 |
| William R. Lynch, boy, 2 days, at \$1.00 | 2 00 |
| William R. Lynch, carting 269 loads of stone, at 25c. | 67 25 |
| Artemas L. Morrow, carting 40 loads of stone, at 25c. | 10 00 |
| Edward Huston, $1\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 | 2 62 |
| Horace F. Hunt, $54\frac{2}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 | 94 84 |
| Josiah F. Holbrook, $58\frac{2}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 | 101 84 |
| Lawrence A. Dyer, $20\frac{7}{10}$ days, at \$1.75 | 36 22 |
| Michael McManus, 6 days, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| Alden H. Holbrook, 7 days, at \$1.75 | 12 25 |
| George E. Smith, 19 days, at \$1.75 | 33 25 |
| Walter Glover, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 | 4 37 |
| George B. Jones, $9\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.75 | 16 62 |
| John Buttomer, 6 days, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| William H. Cobb, tools | 43 67 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> . . . | <hr/> \$1,035 66 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | . | . | \$1,035 66 |
| Boston Belting Co., supplies | . | . | 2 62 |
| Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies | . | . | 1 42 |
| C. G. Anderson, repairs on roller | . | . | 4 50 |
| Warren M. Babbitt, lot of stone | . | . | 11 00 |
| Warren M. Babbitt, 32 loads of gravel, at 8c. | . | . | 2 56 |
| O. C. R. R., freight on castings | . | . | 88 |
| Albert Hobart, setting crusher | . | . | 10 00 |
| Albert Hobart, plank | . | . | 1 80 |
| Ellis Hollingsworth, 272 loads of stone, at 5c. | . | . | 13 60 |
| H. H. Thayer, blacksmith work | . | . | 30 04 |
| N. H. Hunt, 115 loads of gravel, at 8c. | . | . | 9 20 |
| Joseph Dyer, 30 posts | . | . | 3 75 |
| George E. Fogg, moving engine and crusher | . | . | 60 00 |
| J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber | . | . | 27 20 |
| L. S. & A. L. Drake, castings for roller | . | . | 58 40 |
| Badger Brothers, repairs on roller | . | . | 14 77 |
| C. H. Hobart, oil and tools | . | . | 19 32 |
| O. M. Rogers, supplies | . | . | 7 35 |
| M. L. Tupper, coal | . | . | 35 29 |
| H. M. White, tools | . | . | 5 16 |
| C. B. Woodsum, expressing | . | . | 2 55 |
| Michael Brandley, lumber | . | . | 3 60 |
| C. E. Hill, expressing | . | . | 75 |
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STONE ROAD.

J. F. BATES, SURVEYOR.

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| James Mehar, 25 days, at \$2 | . | . | \$50 00 |
| John Mehar, 25 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 43 75 |
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| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | . | . | \$93 75 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> . . . | \$93 75 |
| Paid Peter Donahue, 17 days, at \$1.75 . | 29 75 |
| William Spear, 20 days, at \$1.75 . | 35 00 |
| John Gallivan, 20 days, at \$1.75 . | 35 00 |
| George Hill, 16½ days self and horse, at \$3.25, | 53 62 |
| Michael O'Brine, 20 days, at \$1.75 . | 35 00 |
| Michael O'Brine, 16½ days, horse, at \$1.50 | 24 75 |
| Michael O'Brien, 74 loads of loam at 15 cents, | 11 10 |
| Patrick Moils, 10 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 32 50 |
| Jerry White, 11 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 35 75 |
| Jerry White, 2 loads of stones at 25c. | 50 |
| John Brandley, 7 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 22 75 |
| John Brandley, 4 days, self and two horses, at \$5.00 | 20 00 |
| Michael Brandley, Jr., 7 days, self and horse at \$3.25 | 22 75 |
| Michael Brandley, Jr., 4 days, self and two horses at \$5.00 | 20 00 |
| Michael Brandley, 5 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 16 25 |
| Andrew Gott, 9 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 29 25 |
| Andrew Dyer, 12 days, self and horse, at \$3.50 | 42 00 |
| Charles Custance, 8 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | 26 00 |
| Matthew Smith, 10 days self and horse, at \$3.25 | 32 50 |
| J. F. Bates, 25½ days horse, at \$1.50 . | 38 25 |
| Morris Gurney, 6 days, at \$1.75 . | 10 50 |
| Thomas Gannon, 9 days, at \$1.75 . | 15 75 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> . . . | <hr/> \$682 72 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | . | . | \$682 72 |
| Paid Thomas Arthur 9 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 15 75 |
| Patrick Leary, 14 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 24 50 |
| Josiah Holbrook, 12 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 21 00 |
| Horace Hunt, 12 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 21 00 |
| Michael Quinn, 10 days, at \$2 | . | . | 20 00 |
| William Orr, 9 days, at \$2 | . | . | 18 00 |
| Thomas Griffin, 9 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 15 75 |
| Michael Bentley, 9 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 15 75 |
| Timothy O'Keefe, 6 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 10 50 |
| John O'Rourke, 3 days, at \$1.75 | . | . | 5 25 |
| J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber | . | . | 20 96 |
| Walworth Manufacturing Co, packing | . | . | 1 55 |
| Robert Gillespie, blacksmith work | . | . | 4 20 |
| L. W. Morrison, 583 loads of stone, at 5 cents | . | . | 29 15 |
| L. W. Morrison, 206 loads of gravel, at 12½ cents | . | . | 25 75 |
| Hollis & Weeks, tools | . | . | 4 92 |
| T. H. Libby, carting 399 loads of stone at 35 cents | . | . | 139 65 |
| J. F. Sheppard, coal | . | . | 41 65 |
| E. Kendall & Sons, repairs on boiler | . | . | 19 65 |
| George H. Arnold, carting 155 loads of stone at 35 cents | . | . | 54 25 |
| George H. Arnold, moving engine | . | . | 1 50 |
| George Wales, carting 31 loads stone, at 25 cents | . | . | 7 75 |
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STONE ROAD.

J. M. KNIGHT, SURVEYOR.

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| Paid Thos. F. Finnigan, 6 days, self and double team, at \$5.25 | . | . | \$31 50 |
| Thos. P. Fogg, 11½ days, self, at \$1.75 | . | . | 20 13 |
| Thos. P. Fogg, 5½ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | . | . | 8 25 |
| Peter Donahue, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | . | . | 10 50 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | . | . | <hr/> \$70 38 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$70 38 |
| Paid Horace Hunt, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| John Gallivan, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 10 50 |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 12 days, self, at \$2.00 . | 24 00 |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 12 days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 18 00 |
| Harry Osborne, 12 days, self, at \$1.75 | 21 00 |
| Harry Osborne, 12 days, double team, at \$3.50 | 42 00 |
| James Mahar, 6 days, self, at \$2.00 . | 12 00 |
| John Mahar, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 10 50 |
| Frank Starr, 10½ days, self, at \$1.75 . | 18 38 |
| Frank Starr, 10½ days, double team, at \$3.50 | 36 75 |
| Geo. Hill, 6 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 19 50 |
| Jerry White, 6 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 19 50 |
| Wm. Spear, 5½ days, self, at \$1.75 . | 9 62 |
| Patrick Leary, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 10 50 |
| Josiah Holbrook, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| Michael O'Brine, 3 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 9 75 |
| Andrew Dyer, 6 days, self and single team, at \$3.50 | 21 00 |
| Francis Gerrior, 5 days, self and 4 horses, rolling, at \$8.00 | 40 00 |
| T. O'Keefe, 12 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 21 00 |
| John O'Rourke, 5 days, self, at 2.00 . | 10 00 |
| John O'Rourke, 5 days, self, at \$1.75 | 8 75 |
| Andrew Gott, 8 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 26 00 |
| B. J. Loring, 12 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 21 00 |
| M. Bentley, 4 days, self, at \$2.00 . | 8 00 |
| M. Bentley, 8 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 14 00 |
| Thomas J. Dalton, 11 days, self, at \$1.75 | 19 25 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$542 38 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | | \$542 38 |
| Paid M. Quinn, 8 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 14 00 |
| Thomas Arthurs, 11 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 19 25 |
| William Orr 5 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 8 75 |
| Thomas Gannon, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 10 50 |
| J. F. Bates, 6 days, horse and cart at \$1.50 | | 9 00 |
| Thomas J. Griffin, 12 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 21 00 |
| M. Smith, 10 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | | 32 50 |
| John Orr, 7 nights lighting street, at 25c. | | 1 75 |
| James Preston, 3 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 5 25 |
| Old Colony R. R., freight | | 25 |
| Thomas Finnigan, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | | 10 50 |
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| Total for Stone Roads | | \$3,237 55 |

DRAIN, CENTRAL AVENUE.

NO APPROPRIATION.

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| Paid Andrew Dyer, labor, $17\frac{3}{10}$ days, at \$2.00 | | \$34 60 |
| Andrew Dyer, team, $4\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$1.50 | | 6 75 |
| L. A. Dyer, 6 days, at \$1.75 | | 10 50 |
| Alden H. Holbrook, 6 days, at \$1.75 | | 10 50 |
| Horace F. Hunt, 16 days, at \$1.75 | | 28 00 |
| John Buttomer, 17 days, at \$1.75 | | 29 75 |
| John Rennie, 15 days, at \$2.00 | | 30 00 |
| Josiah F. Holbrook, 15 days, at \$1.75 | | 26 25 |
| Charles A. Holbrook, 11 days, at \$1.75 | | 19 25 |
| Wm. H. Carberry, grates and frames | | 46 95 |
| O. C. R. R., fr'gt on grates and frames | | 2 81 |
| H. H. Thayer, blacksmith work | | 4 09 |
| M. L. Tupper, drain pipe, cement and brick | | 656 39 |
| M. L. Tupper, drain pipe | | 1 98 |
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| | | \$907 82 |

DRAIN, HOLBROOK AVENUE.

NO APPROPRIATION.

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| Paid Andrew Dyer, labor, 6 days, at \$2.00 | \$12 00 | |
| Andrew Dyer, team, 2½ days, at \$1.50 | 3 75 | |
| L. A. Dyer, labor, 3 days, at \$1.75 . | 5 25 | |
| John Rennie, labor, 6 days, at \$2.00 . | 12 00 | |
| J. F. Holbrook, labor, 4 days, at \$1.75 | 7 00 | |
| Alden H. Holbrook, labor, 1½ days, at \$1.75 | 2 63 | |
| Horace F. Hunt, labor, 3 days, at \$1.75 | 5 25 | |
| John Buttomer, labor, 4 days, at \$1.75 | 7 00 | |
| Wm. H. Carberry, grates and frames | 9 55 | |
| M. L. Tupper, drain pipe, cement and brick | 251 59 | |
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COMMERCIAL STREET.

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| Appropriation | | \$8,100 00 |
| Paid T. Arthurs, 74 days, self, at \$1.75 . | \$129 50 | |
| P. Hennessy, 1 day, self, at \$1.75 . | 1 75 | |
| J. Maloney, 21 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 36 75 | |
| J. Renn, 39½ days, self, at \$1.75 . | 69 13 | |
| T. Missett, 48½ days, self, at \$1.75 . | 84 88 | |
| G. E. Fogg, 83 days, self, at \$2.00 . | 166 00 | |
| G. E. Fogg, 27¾ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 41 63 | |
| J. Fred Allen, 24½ days, self, horse and cart, at \$3.25 | 79 63 | |
| J. Klay, 70 days, self, at \$1.75 . | 122 50 | |
| Hubert Decosta, 9½ days, self, on wall, at \$1.75 | 16 62 | |
| M. Quinn, 70¾ days, self, at \$1.75 . | 123 82 | |
| H. Gardner, 21 days, self, on iron fence, at \$3.00 | 63 00 | |
| H. Gardner, 33½ days, self, at \$2.50 . | 83 75 | |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$1,018 96 | |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$1,018 96 |
| Paid H. Gardner, labor on stone boat | 1 00 |
| H. Gardner, 62½ hours on mill work, at 60c. | 37 50 |
| H. Gardner, 20 hours on mill work, at 30c. | 6 00 |
| J. O'Rourke, 74¼ days, self, at \$1.75 | 129 95 |
| H. J. Richards, 5½ days, carrying drills, at \$1.00 | 5 50 |
| M. Bently, 65¾ days, self, at \$1.75 | 115 06 |
| W. H. Loring, 1 day, carrying drills, at \$1.00 | 1 00 |
| B. J. Loring, 70¼ days, self, at \$1.75 | 122 94 |
| C. Buckman, Sr., 1 day, self, at \$1.75 | 1 75 |
| C. Buckman, Jr., 1 day, self, at \$1.75 | 1 75 |
| R. M. Loring, 10½ days, on wall and drain, at \$2.25 | 23 62 |
| R. M. Loring, 2½ days, painting fence, at \$2.00 | 5 00 |
| Wm. Orr, 35¼ days, self, at \$1.75 | 61 70 |
| Wm. Orr, 25¼ days, single team, at \$1.50 | 37 88 |
| M. Smith, 67½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 118 13 |
| M. Smith, 56¾ days, single team, at \$1.50 | 85 13 |
| A. Gott, 68 days, at \$1.75 | 119 00 |
| A. Gott, 62¾ days single team, at \$1.50 | 94 13 |
| J. Q. Wilson, stone, | 20 50 |
| J. H. Harris, 10½ day on wall and drain at \$2.25 | 23 62 |
| F Starr, 27 days, at \$1.75 | 47 25 |
| F. Starr, 6 days self and double team, at \$3.50 | 21 00 |
| F. Starr, 20 days of single team, at \$1.50 | 30 00 |
| William Gerrior, 63¾ days, at \$1.75 | 111 57 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$2,239 94 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$2239 94 |
| Paid William Gerrior, 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ days of double team, at \$3.50 | 63 88 |
| William Gerrior, 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, 4 horses, at \$8.25 | 375 37 |
| T. P. Fogg, 68 $\frac{3}{4}$ days, at \$1.75 | 120 31 |
| T. P. Fogg, 24 days of single team, at \$1.50 | 36 00 |
| T. P. Fogg, 3 days of double team, at \$3.50 | 10 50 |
| H. Osborne, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 14 44 |
| H. Osborne, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, double team, at \$3.50 | 11 38 |
| H. Osborne, 5 days, 4 horses, at \$8.25 | 41 25 |
| T. H. Libby, 6 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 19 50 |
| F. Gerrior, 55 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 97 14 |
| F. Gerrior, 6 days, double team, at \$3.50 | 21 00 |
| F. Gerrior, 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, 4 horses, at \$8.25 | 408 36 |
| T. J. Dalton, 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 70 88 |
| T. F. Finnigan, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self and 3 horses, at \$6.75 | 37 12 |
| T. F. Finnigan, 14 days, single team and man, at \$3.25 | 45 50 |
| T. F. Finnigan, 1 day, double team and man, at \$5.25 | 5 25 |
| T. F. Finnigan, 4 days, 3 horses, at \$6.50 | 26 00 |
| T. J. Griffin, 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 123 37 |
| G. Norclehl, 29 $\frac{3}{4}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 52 07 |
| J. Foley, 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 48 12 |
| J. M. Allen, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, self, at \$1.75 | 46 37 |
| J. M. Allen, 1 day, 2 horses, at \$3.50 | 3 50 |
| J. M. Allen, 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ days, 4 horses, at \$8.25 | 210 38 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$4,127 63 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$4,127 63 |
| Paid William Orr, Jr., hanging lanterns 38 nights, at 12½c. | 4 75 |
| J. Preston, 42½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 73 94 |
| J. Preston, 33¼ days, single team, at \$1.50 | 49 88 |
| E. Starr, 5 days, self, at \$1.75 | 8 75 |
| J. Smith, 32¾ days, self, at \$1.75 | 57 32 |
| D. Cashman, 25 days, self, \$1.75 | 43 75 |
| Albert Hobart, 3 days, self and use of tools | 10 00 |
| Waldo Hayward, 5 cedar posts, at 40c. | 2 00 |
| Emery Stuart, 9 days, use of derrick, at \$2.50 | 22 50 |
| Emery Stuart, labor of putting in and taking out | 9 39 |
| M. Gurney, 18½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 32 38 |
| T. O. Keefe, 4 days, self, at \$1.75 | 7 00 |
| M. O'Connor, 7¼ days, self, at \$1.75 | 12 69 |
| S. W. Pratt, tools | 23 58 |
| Arthur Henry, 2½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 4 38 |
| C. Pace, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| James Croke, 3½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 6 13 |
| B. B. Hobart, 1,246 loads gravel, at 6c. | 74 76 |
| B. J. Loring, Jr., labor on fence | 8 74 |
| Henry Richards, 210 loads gravel, at 6 cents | 12 60 |
| H. A. Pettingell, oil and lanterns | 20 78 |
| Dodge, Haley & Co., crane chain | 3 15 |
| Berlin Iron Bridge Co., 10 gals. paint | 10 00 |
| Old Colony Railroad, freight | 3 58 |
| Howe & French, brimstone | 2 75 |
| G. S. Baker, for tools | 16 25 |
| T. South, blacksmith work | 5 50 |
| J. F. Sheppard, posts and boots | 25 00 |
| T. Finnigan, 3 days' labor, man and 3 horses, at \$6.75 | 20 25 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$4,709 93 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | | \$4,709 93 |
| Paid T. Finnigan, 36 days' labor, self and | | |
| 2 horses | 189 00 | |
| D. J. Pierce & Co., brimstone | 1 75 | |
| Howe & French, brimstone | 2 59 | |
| F. A. Burrell, use of team | 7 00 | |
| G. Harris, 16 loads sand, at 25 cents | 4 00 | |
| Horace J. Richards, lighting street | 77 75 | |
| William Allen, building wall | 806 62 | |
| W. J. Jordan, blacksmith work | 22 03 | |
| Edwin Menhinick, stone work | 1,584 25 | |
| J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber, cement, etc. | 224 09 | |
| Field & Wild, stone | 509 00 | |
| J. H. Cunningham, material for fence | 225 10 | |
| Robert Gillespie, blacksmith work | 5 60 | |
| Frederic Endicott, making plans | 30 50 | |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, carting lumber | 4 00 | |
| Maurice Gurney, 1 day | 1 75 | |
| Albert Littlefield, stone | 2 00 | |
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| By sale of lumber | 22 61 | |
| Labor of men and teams, for Old Colony Railroad, | 126 50 | |
| Labor of men and teams, for Orace H. Allen | 2 00 | |
| Labor of men and teams, for A. W. Stetson | 122 05 | |
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PAVING GUTTERS.

J. F. BATES, SURVEYOR.

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| James Mahar, 47 days, at \$2.00 | \$94 00 |
| John Mahar, 46½ days, at \$1.75 | 81 37 |
| J. F. Bates, 53 days, horse, at \$1.50 | 79 50 |
| J. F. Bates, 1 day, horse and man | 3 25 |
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| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$258 12 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | . | . | \$258.12 |
| Paid Michael O'Brine, 9 days, at \$1.75 | . | | 15 75 |
| Michael O'Brine, 4 days, horse, at \$1.50 | | | 6 00 |
| James Gorman, 6 days, at \$1.75 | . | | 10 50 |
| Thomas Gannon, 23 days, at \$2.00 | . | | 46 00 |
| Jerry White, 5 days, self and horse, at \$3.25 | . | . | 16 25 |
| Thomas Griffin, 24½ days, at \$1.75 | . | | 42 87 |
| Robert Gillespie, blacksmith work | . | | 1 35 |
| Charles Dailey, paving stones | . | | 4 00 |
| | | | <hr/> \$400 84 |

QUINCY AVENUE.

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| Appropriation | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$1,500 00 |
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| Paid Thos. Missett, 10½ days, at \$1.75 | . | | | | | | | \$18 38 |
| B. J. Loring, 28 days, at \$1.75 | . | | | | | | | 49 00 |
| John O'Rourke, 36 days, at \$1.75 | . | | | | | | | 63 00 |
| Thomas Arthur, 40½ days, at \$1.75 | . | | | | | | | 70 88 |
| Michael Bentley, 30 days, at \$1.75 | . | | | | | | | 52 50 |
| Jacob Klay, 25½ days, at \$1.75 | . | | | | | | | 44 62 |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 38 days, self, at \$2.00 | . | | | | | | | 76 00 |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 5 days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 7 50 |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 1 day, double team, at \$3.50 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 3 50 |
| Thos. J. Dalton, 26 days, self, at \$1.75 | | | | | | | | 45 50 |
| Frank Starr, 20½ days, single team and self, at \$3.25 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 66 63 |
| Frank Starr, 15 days, double team and self, at \$5.25 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 78 75 |
| Geo. Norclehl, 24 days, self, at \$1.75 | | | | | | | | 42 00 |
| Henry Richards, 1,406 loads gravel, at 6 cents | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 84 36 |
| Edward Starr, 38 days, self, at \$1.75 | | | | | | | | 66 50 |
| T. H. Libby, 38 days, single team and man, at \$3.25 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 104 00 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | . | . | | | | | | <hr/> \$873 12 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$873 12 |
| Paid Thos. Finnigan, 20 days, double team and man, at \$5.25 | \$105 00 |
| Thos. P. Fogg, 3½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 6 12 |
| Thos. P. Fogg, 20½ days, self and sin- gle team, at \$3.25 | 66 63 |
| Wm. Gerrior, 15 days, self and double team, at \$5.25 | 78 75 |
| Arthur Roulster, 26 days, self and team, at \$3.25 | 84 50 |
| John Wilson, 2 loads covering stone | 4 00 |
| A. Gott, 23 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 74 75 |
| T. J. Griffin, 18½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 32 37 |
| James Foley, 15½ days self, at \$1.75 | 27 12 |
| John Renn, 17 days, self, at \$1.75 | 29 75 |
| M. Smith, 24½ days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 79 63 |
| Jas. Preston, 7 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 22 75 |
| M. Quinn, 2 days, self, at \$1.75 | 3 50 |
| Thos. South, 75 lbs. gratings, at 7 cents | 5 25 |
| W. I. Jordan, blacksmith work | 2 80 |
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STERLING STREET.

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| Appropriation | \$100 00 |
| Paid Geo. E. Fogg, 5½ days, self, at \$2.00 | \$11 00 |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 5½ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 8 25 |
| Thos. P. Fogg, 2 days, self, at \$1.75 | 3 50 |
| J. M. Allen, 1½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 2 63 |
| J. M. Allen, 1½ days, 4 horses and 2 carts, at \$3.50 | 10 50 |
| John O'Rourke, 1½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 2 63 |
| Michael Quinn, 6 days, self, at \$1.75 | 10 50 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$49 01 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$49 01 | |
| Paid Michael Bentley, 3½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 6 13 | |
| Thos. Arthurs, 3½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 6 13 | |
| T. O'Keefe, 4½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 7 87 | |
| M. Smith, 1½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 2 63 | |
| M. Smith, 1½ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 2 25 | |
| Frank Starr, 3½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 6 13 | |
| Andrew Gott, 3½ days, self, at \$1.75 | 6 13 | |
| Andrew Gott, 3½ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 5 25 | |
| Henry Richards, 146 loads of gravel, at 6 cents | 8 76 | |
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WALNUT AVENUE.

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| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Paid T. J. Dalton, 11 days, at \$1.75 | \$19 25 | |
| G. E. Fogg, 3½ days, at \$2.00 | 7 00 | |
| G. E. Fogg, 2½ days, horse and cart, at \$1.50 | 3 75 | |
| Pinel Bros., tools | 13 82 | |
| Henry Richards, 172 loads of gravel, at 6 cents | 10 32 | |
| J. H. Wallace, blacksmith work | 2 46 | |
| Oriental Powder Co., powder and fuse | 3 95 | |
| F. Starr, 2½ days, at \$1.75 | 4 38 | |
| M. Smith, 2½ days, self, and single team, at \$3.25 | 8 13 | |
| A. Gott, 3 days, self, and single team, at \$3.25 | 9 75 | |
| Chas. H. Loring, 6 days, at \$1.75 | 10 50 | |
| B. J. Loring, 12 days, at \$1.75 | 21 00 | |
| T. F. Finnigan, 1 day, at \$2.00 | 2 00 | |
| T. F. Finnigan, 1 day, 2 horses and man, at \$5.25 | 5 25 | |
| J. O'Rourke, 2½ days, at \$1.75 | 4 38 | |
| M. Quinn, 4 days, at \$1.75 | 7 00 | |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$132 94 | |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | | \$132 94 |
| Paid M. Bentley, 4½ days, at \$1.75 | 7 88 | |
| T. Arthurs, 2½ days, at \$1.75 | 4 38 | |
| T. O'Keefe, 2½ days, at \$1.75 | 4 38 | |
| T. P. Fogg, 11 days, at \$1.75 | 19 25 | |
| J. M. Allen, 1½ days, at \$1.75 | 2 63 | |
| J. M. Allen, 1½ days, 4 horses and 2 carts, at \$7.00 | 10 50 | |
| J. M. Allen, 1 day, double team, at \$3.50 | 3 50 | |
| M. Branley, 2 horses and man, at \$5.25 | 5 25 | |
| Andrew Dyer, 1 day, at \$2.00 | 2 00 | |
| F. Gerrior, 1 day, double team, at \$5.25 | 5 25 | |
| W. I. Jordan, blacksmith work | 5 89 | |
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PROSPECT STREET.

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| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Paid T. J. Dalton, 8 days, at \$2 | \$16 00 | |
| T. J. Dalton, 3 days, at \$1.75 | 5.25 | |
| T. H. Libby, 15 days, at \$2.50 | 37 50 | |
| Thos. Arthurs, 1 day, at \$2.00 | 2 00 | |
| Thos. Arthurs, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| Geo. Newcomb, 14 days, at \$2.00 | 28 00 | |
| M. Quinn, 7½ days, at \$1.75 | 13 13 | |
| W. K. Baker & Son, powder and fuse | 6 55 | |
| Wm. Gerrior, 3 days, self and double team, at \$5.25 | 15 75 | |
| Thos. P. Fogg, 2 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 6 50 | |
| Henry Richards, 108 loads of gravel, at 6 cents | 6 48 | |
| Geo. E. Fogg, 2 days, self and single team, at \$3.50 | 7 00 | |
| John O'Rourke, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| M. Bentley, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| Thos. Misset, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| Jacob Klay, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | \$161 66 | |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$161 66 | |
| Paid B. J. Loring, 2 days, at \$1.75 | 3 50 | |
| M. Smith, 2 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 6 50 | |
| A. Gott, 2 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 6 50 | |
| J. F. Allen, 2 days, self and single team, at \$3.25 | 6 50 | |
| J. M. Allen, 2 days, double team, at \$3.50 | 7 00 | |
| W. I. Jordan, blacksmith work | 13 12 | |
| | <hr/> | \$204 78 |

NEW ROAD FROM PEARL TO LIBERTY STREET.

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| Paid Boston Herald, advertising proposals | \$2 00 | |
| For type writing, | 1 60 | |
| Q. L. Reed, surveying and making plan | 184 17 | |
| Berlin Iron Bridge Co., for bridge | 590 00 | |
| G. E. Fogg and T. F. Finnegan, on contract | 2,000 00 | |
| Ezra B. Whittier, land damage | 50 00 | |
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INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

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| Appropriation | \$1,200 00 | |
| Paid H. A. Monk, cash expenses | \$2 60 | |
| D. B. Fletcher, stationery | 1 25 | |
| William Kelley, distributing reports | 4 50 | |
| E. F. E. Thayer, insurance | 48 00 | |
| Alfred Mudge, printing town report | 326 28 | |
| Fred W. Barry, stationery | 3 27 | |
| William M'Ewan, postage stamps | 2 20 | |
| John Rennie, whitewashing fence, Plain street cemetery | 5 55 | |
| George I. Bates, distributing town reports | 3 00 | |
| Benj. F. Smith, stationery | 1 00 | |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> | \$397 65 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$397 65 |
| Paid W. Austin Torrey, stationery | 3 36 |
| David H. Bates, cash expenses and stationery | 7 63 |
| E. L. Burdakin, transcript of conveyances | 20 00 |
| Thomas Groom & Co., tax book | 2 00 |
| William Orr, services as police | 3 50 |
| J. H. Burdakin, recording deeds | 1 27 |
| Green & Prescott, printing | 191 00 |
| J. R. Carmichael, refreshments for Registrars of voters | 7 50 |
| C. H. Hobart, telephone | 15 |
| A. O. Clark, sundry bills for forest fires | 6 37 |
| C. B. Woodsum, expressing | 3 85 |
| Noah Torrey, returning 23 births | 5 75 |
| S. C. Bridgham, returning 8 births | 2 00 |
| F. C. Granger, returning 5 births | 1 25 |
| T. H. Dearing, returning 31 births | 7 75 |
| John Kelley, services as police | 8 00 |
| George H. Arnold, services and expenses on water committee | 6 00 |
| A. O. Clark, services on water committee | 7 00 |
| J. M. Knight, services on water committee | 21 00 |
| Samuel Curtis, returning 20 deaths | 5 00 |
| G. C. Hollenbeck, returning 23 deaths | 5 75 |
| Ford & McCormick, returning 9 deaths | 2 25 |
| J. W. W. Rowell, services as truant officer | 9 50 |
| Thomas Cain, horse hire for town officers | 23 00 |
| F. A. Burrell, horse hire for town officers | 30 00 |
| Wales Brothers, repairing pump, So. Braintree | 3 00 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$781 53 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward</i> | \$781 53 |
| Paid Henry Mitchell, for town seal | 50 00 |
| Arthur L. Hobart, horse hire | 7 50 |
| R. M. Loring, distributing town reports | 3 00 |
| E. Bourke, 1 police badge | 1 35 |
| G. R. M. Bestick, refreshments | 1 50 |
| D. J. Pierce, stationery | 8 62 |
| S. A. Bates, copying records for town officers | 22 50 |
| S. A. Bates, copying records for town report | 20 70 |
| S. A. Bates, 4 days, to Boston and Dedham, | 10 00 |
| S. A. Bates, expenses for same | 2 15 |
| S. A. Bates, collecting school census | 20 00 |
| S. A. Bates, drawing deeds and affidavits | 8 50 |
| S. A. Bates, cash paid for stationery and postage | 5 20 |
| S. A. Bates, collecting, recording and returning 81 births | 40 50 |
| S. A. Bates, collecting, recording and returning 81 deaths | 17 35 |
| S. A. Bates, collecting, recording and returning 57 marriages | 8 55 |
| S. A. Bates, issuing 80 permits for burial | 8 00 |
| S. A. Bates, cash paid Thomas Groom | 5 00 |
| S. A. Bates, 55 hours work copying valuation for town report | 16 50 |
| William May, horse hire | 1 50 |
| Alverdo Mason, copying valuation and expenses | 30 00 |
| A. J. Bates, cash expenses | 8 31 |
| J. F. Bates, cash expenses | 63 00 |
| A. O. Clark | 62 88 |
| J. M. Knight | 90 25 |
| Edward Avery, services in Doherty case | 100 00 |
| <i>Amount carried forward</i> | <u>\$1394 39</u> |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$447 54 | |
| Edward Avery, professional services | 100 00 | |
| Edward Avery, services in water suit | 1,700 00 | |
| Edward Avery, cash paid for printing | 27 35 | |
| Benj. F. Butler, services in water suit | 1,150 00 | |
| Thomas E. Major, stenographing . | 218 38 | |
| W. H. Swift, serving notices on water suit | 5 00 | |
| George W. White, serving summons in Doherty case | 2 05 | |
| Cash paid, witness fees in Doherty case | 20 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,617 42 |

PAINTING ALMSHOUSE.

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| Appropriation | | \$200 00 |
| Paid Conrad Mischler, painting . . | 124 50 | |
| C. H. Hobart, paints and oil . . | 62 20 | |
| | <hr/> | \$186 70 |

NEW ROAD, LIBERTY TO ELIOTT.

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| Appropriation | | \$835 00 |
| Paid Jacob S. Dyer, on contract . . | \$600 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$600 00 |

REMOVAL OF SNOW.

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| Appropriation | | \$1,000 00 |
| Paid, by Selectmen, sundry bills for re- moving snow | \$344 60 | |
| | <hr/> | \$344 60 |

TOWN OFFICERS.

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|---|------------------|
| Paid Henry A. Monk, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor | \$37 50 |
| Henry A. Monk, services as surveyor | 12 50 |
| J. M. Knight, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor . | 450 00 |
| J. M. Knight, services as surveyor of highways | 150 00 |
| J. F. Bates, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor . | 450 00 |
| J. F. Bates, services as surveyor of highways | 150 00 |
| A. O. Clark, services as selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor . | 412 50 |
| A. O. Clark, services as surveyor of highways | 137 50 |
| David H. Bates, services as treasurer | 78 33 |
| Andrew J. Bates, services as treasurer | 121 67 |
| Samuel A. Bates, services as clerk . | 75 00 |
| Samuel A. Bates, services as registrar of voters | 35 00 |
| Samuel A. Bates, services as clerk of registrars | 34 20 |
| Edward Avery, services as registrar of voters | 35 00 |
| F. A. Hobart, services as registrar of voters | 35 00 |
| A. S. Morrison, services as registrar of voters | 35 00 |
| Alverdo Mason, services as auditor . | 15 00 |
| George D. Willis, services as auditor | 15 00 |
| E. L. Curtis, services as constable . | 30 00 |
| Horace Faxon, services as constable . | 27 50 |
| William Orr, services as police . . . | 6 00 |
| Thomas Clinton, services as constable | 8 00 |
| Albert Hobart, services as constable . | 5 00 |
| John W. W. Rowell, services as constable | 8 00 |
| | <hr/> \$2,363 70 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---|-------------|
| Orders drawn for schools | \$9,024 66 |
| Superintendent of schools | 1,200 00 |
| Incidentals for schools | 365 26 |
| Incidentals for school houses | 422 65 |
| Text books and supplies | 865 09 |
| Almshouse | 2,146 02 |
| Poor out of almshouse | 1,854 78 |
| State Aid (Chapter 301) | 1,283 50 |
| State Aid (Chapter 252) | 624 00 |
| Hospitals | 451 92 |
| Repairs of highways | 3,069 22 |
| Stone road | 3,237 75 |
| Drain Holbrook avenue | 316 02 |
| Drain Central avenue | 907 82 |
| Widening Commercial street | 8,406 96 |
| New Road from Pearl to Liberty street | 2,827 77 |
| Paving gutters | 400 84 |
| Quincy avenue | 1,496 04 |
| Sterling street | 100 29 |
| Walnut avenue | 203 85 |
| Prospect street | 204 78 |
| Town lands | 120 35 |
| Grand Army of the Republic | 150 00 |
| Delivery of books | 142 76 |
| Public library | 690 00 |
| Town hall | 211 34 |
| Janitor | 600 00 |
| Abatement and collection of taxes | 609 41 |
| Drawbridge and buoys | 118 38 |
| Fire department | 1,780 19 |
| Incidental expenses | 4,617 72 |
| Town officers | 2,363 70 |
| Removal of snow | 344 30 |
| Painting almshouse | 186 70 |
| New Road from Liberty to Elliott street | 600 00 |
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| | \$51,944 07 |

ASSESSORS' ACCOUNT.

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|---|-------------|
| For support of schools | \$8,400 00 |
| Incidentals for schools | 300 00 |
| Incidentals for school houses | 400 00 |
| Text books and supplies | 800 00 |
| Superintendent of schools | 1,200 00 |
| Repairs on highways | 3,400 00 |
| Stone roads | 3,000 00 |
| Poor in almshouse | 1,800 00 |
| Poor out of almshouse | 1,800 00 |
| Removal of snow | 1,000 00 |
| Fire department | 1,800 00 |
| Public library | 690 00 |
| Grand Army of the Republic | 150 00 |
| Building new road from Liberty to Eliott street | 835 00 |
| Interest on town debt | 2,000 00 |
| Town officers | 2,200 00 |
| Building road from Pearl to Liberty street . | 4,000 00 |
| Walnut avenue | 200 00 |
| Prospect street | 200 00 |
| Sterling street | 100 00 |
| Quincy avenue | 1,500 00 |
| Painting almshouse, | 200 00 |
| Widening Commercial street | 5,500 00 |
| Incidental expenses, | 1,200 00 |
| Janitor | 600 00 |
| Town lands | 100 00 |
| Delivery of books, | 100 00 |
| State tax | 3,937 50 |
| County tax | 1,781 17 |
| Overlay | 954 33 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$50,148 00 |

APPROPRIATIONS NECESSARY FOR THE ENSUING
YEAR.

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| Schools | \$8,400 00 |
| Incidentals for schools | 300 00 |
| Incidentals for school houses | 400 00 |
| Text books and supplies | 800 00 |
| Superintendent of schools | 1,200 00 |
| Repairs of highways | 3,000 00 |
| Stone road | 3,000 00 |
| Support of poor | 4,000 00 |
| Removal of snow | 1,000 00 |
| Fire department | 1,800 00 |
| Public library | 700 00 |
| Grand Army of the Republic | 150 00 |
| Janitor | 600 00 |
| Towns lands | 100 00 |
| Interest on town debt | 1,500 00 |
| Town officers | 2,200 00 |
| Incidental expenses | 1,500 00 |
| Soldiers' Aid, Chapter 252 | 400 00 |
| Collection and abatement of Taxes | 600 00 |
| New road Pearl to Liberty street re-assess | 1,600 00 |
| New fences on highways | 1,000 00 |
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| | \$34,250 00 |

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

JOSEPH DYER, COLLECTOR FOR 1885.

Dr.

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| Balance due on tax of 1885 | . | . | . | \$57 48 | |
| Balance due on interest | . | . | . | 3 82 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$61 30 |

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| Cash paid treasurer, principal | . | . | . | \$57 48 | |
| Cash paid treasurer, interest | . | . | . | 3 82 | |
| | | | | <hr/> | \$61 30 |

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

CHARLES THAYER, COLLECTOR FOR 1886.

Dr.

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| Feb. 1, 1887, Balance due on tax of 1886 | \$5,531 35 | |
| Interest | 151 07 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5,682 42 |

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| By Cash paid D. H. Bates, treasurer | . | \$2,909 50 | |
| Cash paid A. J. Bates, treasurer | . | 2,586 27 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$5,495 77 |
| Due on tax of 1886 | . | . | \$186 65 |

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

NATHANIEL F. HUNT, COLLECTOR FOR 1887.

Dr.

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| To amount of tax of 1887 | . | . | \$50,154 00 | |
| Interest | . | . | 49 41 | |
| | | | <hr/> | \$50,203 51 |

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| By Cash paid A. J. Bates, treasurer | . | \$45,148 83 | |
| Cash paid, interest | . | 49 41 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$45,198 24 |
| Due on tax of 1887 | . | . | \$5,005 17 |

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

DAVID H. BATES, *Treasurer.**Dr.*

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| Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1887 | . | . | . | . | . | \$487 76 |
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Cash received from :

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| Charles Thayer, collector, 1886 | . | . | . | \$2,909 50 |
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| Weymouth Bank, interest | . | . | . | 10 08 |
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Cash received from State :

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| Corporation tax | . | . | . | . | 1,616 07 |
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| Support of State paupers | . | . | . | 21 25 |
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Received from Overseers of the Poor :

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| Town of Holbrook | . | . | . | . | 117 25 |
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| Town of Harvard | . | . | . | . | 3 53 |
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| Town of Foxboro' | . | . | . | . | 5 70 |
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| Town of Weymouth | . | . | . | . | 9 00 |
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| City of Brockton | . | . | . | . | 135 30 |
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| City of Newton | . | . | . | . | 71 25 |
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| Cash refunded from poor persons | . | . | . | 264 73 |
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| Cash from Pickering & Moseley, (borrowed) | . | . | . | . | 5,000 00 |
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Cash received from Selectmen :

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| Liquor license, A. R. Dickinson | . | . | . | 1 00 |
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| Liquor license, W. A. Torrey | . | . | . | 1 00 |
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| Billiard license, J. W. Dolan | . | . | . | 4 00 |
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| Billiard license, F. L. Moulton | . | . | . | 4 00 |
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| Burial lot, C. H. Potter | . | . | . | 5 00 |
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| Burial lot, A. L. Morrow | . | . | . | 5 00 |
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| Damage by scholars | . | . | . | 3 09 |
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| Cash paid on 203 orders | . | . | . | \$10,334 11 |
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| on two old orders | . | . | . | 14 85 |
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| State, National Bank tax | . | . | . | 5 07 |
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| Pickering & Moseley, interest | . | . | . | 118 33 |
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| Cash on hand | . | . | . | 202 15 |
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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

ANDREW J. BATES, TREASURER.

Dr.

Cash received from : —

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| David H. Bates, June 21, 1887, balance | \$202 15 |
| Joseph Dyer, collector, 1885 | 57 48 |
| Joseph Dyer, collector, 1885, interest | 3 82 |
| Charles Thayer, collector, 1886 | 2,435 20 |
| Charles Thayer, collector, 1886, interest | 151 07 |
| N. F. Hunt, collector, 1887 | 45,148 83 |
| N. F. Hunt, collector, 1887, interest | 49 41 |
| J. Pickering & Moseley (borrowed) | 7,000 00 |
| A. W. Beard, State Treasurer (borrowed) | 10,000 00 |
| Weymouth Bank, interest on deposit | 137 72 |
| County Treasurer, dog tax | 664 49 |
| Joseph Dyer, Treasurer Braintree school fund | 550 00 |

Cash received from State : —

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| Corporation tax | 7,710 07 |
| Bank tax | 1,771 87 |
| State school fund , | 197 74 |
| Support of State paupers | 13 00 |
| Rent of Armory, one month | 33 33 |
| State Aid Acts 1879, Chap. 301 | 1,248 00 |
| State Aid Acts 1879, Chap. 252 | 291 75 |

Cash received from Overseers of the Poor : —

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| Emily C. Hanson, (refunded) | 108 50 |
| Insane, (refunded) | 138 97 |
| Labor and Produce from Almshouse | 199 33 |
| Insane, (refunded) | 81 66 |

Amount carried forward \$78,194 39

Amount brought forward, . . . \$78,194 39

Cash received from Selectmen :—

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| (Liquor license) Frank H. Morgan . . . | 1 00 |
| Sale of wheel Hook and Ladder . . . | 6 00 |
| Burial lot John Taylor . . . | 5 00 |
| Burial lot Gustave H. Woll . . . | 5 00 |
| Use of Town Hall . . . | 165 00 |
| Billiard license F. P. Lothrop . . . | 4 00 |

Cash received from Surveyors of Highways ;—

| | |
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| Sale of old harness | 25 00 |
| Sale of tip cart | 25 00 |
| Sale of lumber Commercial street bridge | 22 61 |
| O. C. R. R. Co. labor Commercial street | 126 50 |
| O. Allen labor Commercial street . . . | 2 00 |
| Amos W. Stetson labor Commercial street | 122 05 |
| Sale of tip cart | 20 00 |
| | ————\$78,723 55 |

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| Cash paid on 543 orders | \$41,615 71 |
| A. W. Beard, notes | 15,000 00 |
| Newburyport Institution for Savings (note) | 6,000 00 |
| First National Bank, Lynn, (note) . . | 5,000 00 |
| J. Pickering & Moseley, (discount) . . | 202 82 |
| A. W. Beard, (discount) | 233 75 |
| W. S. Dexter, (interest) | 400 00 |
| N. F. T. Hayden, (interest) | 400 00 |
| A. W. Beard, (liquor license) | 75 |
| State tax | 3,937 50 |
| County tax | 1,781 17 |
| Cash on hand | 4,151 85 |
| | ————\$78,723 55 |

THE TOWN OWES THE FOLLOWING NOTES, FEB. 1, 1888.

Trustees of estate of General S. Thayer:

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| March 7, 1874, due on demand at 4 per cent. | \$10,000 00 |
| March 7, 1874, due on demand, at 4 per cent. | 10,000 00 |
| Jan. 31, 1888, J. Pickering & Mose- ley, due Dec. 1, 1888, discounted at 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ per cent. | 2,000 00 |
| Outstanding order, No. 561, drawn Jan. 10, 1887 | 3 00 |
| | —————\$22,003 00 |
| Less assets as per schedule, | \$11,882 36 |
| Net debt of town, Feb. 1, 1888 | 10,120 64 |
| Net debt less than Feb. 1, 1887 | 7,183 34 |

ASSETS OF THE TOWN, FEB. 1, 1888.

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|---|------------------|
| Balance in treasury | \$4,151 85 |
| Due from Collector on tax of 1886 | 186 65 |
| Collector on tax of 1887 | 5,005 17 |
| State on State Aid (Chap. 301) | 1,396 50 |
| State on State Aid (Chap. 252) | 338 00 |
| Alden Bowditch, hospital account | 184 65 |
| City of Brockton | 130 75 |
| City of Boston | 36 00 |
| City of Newton | 5 50 |
| State | 96 64 |
| Town of Duxbury | 32 00 |
| Town of Quincy | 69 63 |
| Town of Boylston | 26 27 |
| Town of Holbrook | 123 00 |
| Town of Weymouth | 3 50 |
| Town of Canton | 7 50 |
| Christian Hanson, for board of wife | 88 75 |
| | —————\$11,882 36 |

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND.

JOSEPH DYER, *Treasurer.**Dr.*

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|---|----------|
| Feb. 1, 1887, Cash on hand | \$95 29 |
| Dividends from Weymouth National Bank | 84 00 |
| Dividends from Quincy National Bank | 60 00 |
| Dividends from Eliott National Bank | 18 00 |
| Cash from J. Q. Denton, for 1 year's rent | 200 00 |
| Taxes refunded, for 1887 | 45 79 |
| Cash received for wood sold | 162 00 |
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| | \$665 08 |

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| To J. B. Rhines, bill | \$25 26 |
| Wm. R. Penniman, bill | 10 00 |
| Feb. 1, 1888, paid A. J. Bates, town treasurer, | 550 00 |
| Cash on hand, | 79 82 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$665 08 |

PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE BRAINTREE
SCHOOL FUND.

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| 14 Shares Union National Bank of Weymouth | \$1,400 00 |
| 10 Shares of the National Granite Bank of Quincy | 1,000 00 |
| 3 Shares Eliott National Bank of Boston | 300 00 |
| Town school fund farm | 2,000 00 |
| 10 acres of salt marsh | 500 00 |
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| | \$5,200 00 |

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN :

Gentlemen:—In accordance with the usual custom which was inaugurated by my predecessor chief, I herewith submit the annual report of Braintree Fire Department, together with such other information as may be of interest :

ENGINEERS, ORGANIZED MAY 2d, 1887.

F. O. WHITMARSH, *Chief*. E. O. PIERSON, *Clerk*.
M. A. PERKINS.

COMPANIES ORGANIZED FEB. 1st, 1887.

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| Union, No. 1, William Allen, <i>Foreman</i> | . . . | 50 men |
| Butcher Boy, No. 2, Wesley L. Woodsum, <i>Foreman</i> | . . . | 49 men |
| Wampatuck H. and L., No. 1, William Hill, <i>Fore-</i> | | |
| <i>man</i> | | 19 men |

ENGINE HOUSES.

The several houses are in good repair.

ROLLING STOCK.

The rolling stock at present in service consists of 2 Hand Engines, 1 H. and L. truck.

HOSE.

There are 3,150 feet of hose in the Department, 500 feet of which are not reliable.

APPROPRIATION.

We recommend that the sum of \$2,000 be appropriated for the ensuing year for the expenses of the Department. We also recommend that the town purchase two light trucks and build an addition on each engine house for the same.

Accompanying this report is a list of fires and alarms which have occurred within the past year. My thanks are due your Honorable Board for the courtesy shown on all occasions. Also to my associates on the Board of Engineers; and last but not least to the rank and file of the several companies for their prompt and able manner in which they have responded when called upon.

Respectfully submitted,

F. O. WHITMARSH,

Chief Engineer, B. F. D.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY IN THE SEVERAL HOUSES.

ENGINE No. 1.

One hand engine and hose cart, 28 feet of suction hose, 750 feet of cotton rubber lined hose, 550 feet of rubber hose, 200 feet of leather hose, 6 spanners and belts, 5 axes, 4 fire buckets, 3 pipes, 6 nozzles, 3 lanterns, 3 ladders, 1 pole for horses, 2 fire hooks, 6 army coats, 50 badges.

ENGINE No. 2.

One hand engine and hose cart, 1 pole for horses, 35 feet of suction hose, 750 feet of cotton rubber lined hose, 100 feet of rubber hose, 200 feet of leather hose, 5 pipes, 1 leading hose branch, 8 nozzles, 1 axe, 1 crowbar, 2 fire hats, 4 fire buckets, 12 spanners with belts, 2 lanterns, 5 ladders, 6 army coats, 40 badges.

H. AND L., No. 1.

One truck, 8 ladders, 1 tongue, 17 buckets, 5 hooks, 2 hatchets, 3 forks, 3 lanterns, 5 army coats, 2 ladder dogs, 25 badges.

LIST OF FIRES.

April 10, dwelling house, Webster Hollis, damage \$3000. Fully insured. H. and L. out. Cause defective flue.

April 17, barn of James Downs, damage \$200. No insurance. H. and L. and Union, out. Cause incendiary.

April 20, barn of Robert Gillespie, damage \$50. Fully insured. H. and L. and Union out. Cause incendiary.

April 21, blacksmith shop, Lyman Morrison, damage \$75. Fully insured. H. and L., Union and Butcher Boy out. Cause accidental.

May 13, false alarm. Department all out.

July 29, false alarm. H. and L. and Butcher Boy out.

July 30, Braintree depot Old Colony R. R., damage \$3500. Insured \$1,500. Department all out. Cause incendiary.

August 8, dwelling house and barn, Mrs. F. A. Hobart. Damage \$1,350. Insured \$1,350.

August 8, dwelling house of R. Porter, damage \$650. Insured \$570. Department all out. Cause accidental.

Nov. 18, dwelling house, Patrick O'Rourke, damage \$350. Insured \$450. Butcher Boy out. Cause defective flue.

Respectfully submitted,

F. O. WHITMARSH,

Chief Engineer B. F. D.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

BRAINTREE, Dec. 22, 1887.

Sixty days after date for value received the Town of Braintree promise to pay the State National Bank of Boston or order, Ten Thousand Dollars out of the proceeds of the sale of Water Bonds issued under the provisions of Chap. 217 of the Acts of 1885. This obligation being given in pursuance of a vote passed at a town meeting held Dec. 21, 1887, ten of said bonds being pledged as security for the payment hereof.

TOWN OF BRAINTREE,

BY ITS TREASURER.

Approved { Water Commissioners
 of
 Braintree.

As the Water Bonds of the town were pledged for the payment of the above note, and as the bonds have been sold and the note is to be taken up by the proceeds derived therefrom at maturity, we have not deemed it our duty to include it in the liabilities of the town,

Statement of Appropriations as against Expenditures for 1887.

| OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS. | Appropriated, not Raised. | Raised and Appropriated. | Amount Expended. | In Excess of Appropriation. | Appropriation Unexpended. |
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| Schools, | | \$8,400 00* | \$9,024 66 | | \$787 57 |
| Incidentals for Schools, | | 300 00 | 365 26 | \$65 26 | |
| Incidentals for School-houses, | | 400 00 | 422 65 | 22 65 | |
| Text Books and Supplies, | | 800 00 | 865 09 | 65 09 | |
| Superintendent of Schools, | | 1,200 00 | 1,200 00 | | |
| Poor in Almshouse, | | 1,800 00 | 1,675 69 | | 124 31 |
| Poor out of Almshouse, | | 1,800 00 | 1,467 99 | | 332 01 |
| Repairs of Highways, | | 3,000 00 | 3,024 22 | 24 22 | |
| Stone Road, | | 3,000 00 | 3,237 75 | 237 75 | |
| New Road, Liberty to Elliott Street, | | 835 00 | 600 00 | | 235 00 |
| Widening of Commercial Street, | \$2,600 00 | 5,500 00 | 8,133 80 | 33 80 | |
| New Road, Pearl to Liberty Street, | | 4,000 00 | 2,827 77 | | 1,172 23 |
| Paving Gutters, | | 400 00 | 400 84 | 84 | |
| Quincy Avenue, | | 1,500 00 | 1,496 04 | | 3 96 |
| Sterling Street, | | 100 00 | 100 29 | 29 | |
| Walnut Avenue, | | 200 00 | 203 85 | 3 85 | |
| Prospect Street, | | 200 00 | 204 78 | 4 78 | |
| Town Lands, | | 100 00 | 120 35 | 20 35 | |
| G. A. R., | | 150 00 | 150 00 | | |
| Public Library, | | 690 00 | 690 00 | | |
| Delivery of Books, | 42 76 | 100 00 | 142 76 | | |
| Janitor, | | 600 00 | 600 00 | | |
| Abatement and Collection of Taxes, | | | 609 41 | 609 41 | |
| State Aid, Chap. 252, | | | 312 00 | 312 00 | |
| Fire Department, | | 1,800 00 | 1,780 19 | | 19 81 |
| Incidental Expenses, | | 1,200 00 | 4,617 72 | 3,417 72 | |
| Town Officers, | | 2,200 00 | 2,363 70 | 163 70 | |
| Removal of Snow, | | 1,000 00 | 344 30 | | 655 70 |
| Painting Almshouse, | | 200 00 | 186 70 | | 13 30 |
| Drawbridge and Buoys, | | | 118 38 | 118 38 | |
| Drain, Central Avenue, | | | 907 82 | 907 82 | |
| Drain, Holbrook Avenue | | | 316 02 | 316 02 | |

*In addition to the \$8,400.00 raised and appropriated, the following amounts, viz.: Dog Tax, \$661.49; State School Fund, \$197.74; Town School Fund, \$550.00; Total, \$1,412.23—was also applied to Support of Schools; hence the unexpended amount, viz.: \$787.57.

The auditors made their accustomed visit to the Almshouse Feb. 1, 1888, and found every evidence that the poor were carefully and kindly cared for; we have carefully and minutely examined the accounts of the several town officers and find no expenditure without being properly vouched.

It will be observed that the town has reduced its debt in the sum of \$7,185.34, and by judicious appropriations we see no good reason why the rate of taxation for the ensuing year should exceed \$13 per \$1,000.

The large over-expenditures in the matter of incidental expenses arise from the luxurious indulgence of law suits.

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| GEO. D. WILLIS, | } | <i>Auditors.</i> |
| JOHN M. BEALS, | | |
| ALVERDO MASON, | | |

WATER COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

BRAINTREE, Feb. 11, 1888.

The Board of Water Commissioners of Braintree respectfully report :

That, acting under a vote of the town, passed March 10, 1887, they entered into a contract with Messrs. John Cavanagh & Sons, on the eighth day of September, 1887, by which, for the sum of \$98,000, said firm agreed to furnish the material, and do the work, necessary for a complete system of Water Works for the town, including pumping station, with boiler and pumps, stand pipe, hydrants, and about twelve miles of pipe ; all under the inspection of a competent engineer employed by the Board, and subject to the approval of the Board. Ample guaranties were furnished by the contractors for the faithful performance of their contract.

Shortly after the execution of this contract, work was commenced under it, and progressed favorably, until stopped by the freezing of the ground. It will be resumed as soon as the frost permits. The necessary steps have been taken to secure the land required for a pumping station, on the south-easterly shore of Great Pond, and the building itself is nearly completed. Land has, also, been taken for the pipe line between the pond and Pond street, and nearly two miles of pipe has been laid.

Although the Town Report is made up to February 1st, it may be proper for us to add, that, since the 1st inst., the Water Bonds, authorized by the town, running for thirty years, and bearing four per cent. interest, have been issued, and sold at a premium of two and a half per cent.; and that this Board has united with the Water Boards of Randolph and Holbrook, in a taking of the waters of Great Pond, but through a separate conduit, by a separate pumping station, and from a different part of the pond.

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| ASA FRENCH, A. C. DRINKWATER, CRANMORE N. WALLACE, | } | BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS. |
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THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY—1887-8.

TO THE SELECTMEN :

The Trustees of the Thayer Public Library respectfully present their annual report :

The Library was open during the year, 275 days.

Number of volumes borrowed, 19,528.

Average per day, 71+

The largest daily issue, Sept. 3, 199.

The smallest daily issue, July 29, 7.

Of books borrowed the percentage was as follows :

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| History, | 3+ |
| Biography, | 2+ |
| Travel, | 4+ |
| Science, | 2+ |
| Fiction, | 62+ |
| Poetry, | 2+ |
| Miscellaneous, | 5+ |
| Reference, | 5+ |

Number of volumes added during the year, 72.

Number of pamphlets added during year, 111.

Number of volumes in the Library, 8375.

Number of names of borrowers recorded in the register, 3481,

Increase over last year, 213.

The lessened circulation last year does not show any diminished interest in the Library. It can be accounted for by the lack of supply of new publications and current literature. The Trustees having devoted the amount received from the income of the Fund to defray the expense of the catalogue.

The new catalogue which will be issued about March 1st, will supply a want, long felt by the people, which has interfered with the Library taking its proper place as one of the grand adjuncts in connection with the schools, to educate and instruct, particularly the young people of the town.

The cost of the catalogue has largely exceeded the estimate, owing to a change in the plan, which doubling its size, is more elaborate in detail, giving not only the author's name of each book, but also its title. A perusal of the catalogue will show that the action of the trustees was wise, and we trust will receive the approval of the town.

The trustees would recommend an appropriation of \$700; \$450 for care and maintenance of library, \$150 for a new furnace and \$100 for catalogue.

The receipts and expenditures of the past year are set forth in detail in the accompanying report of the treasurer.

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| ASA FRENCH, | } | BOARD OF TRUSTEES, |
| H. A. JOHNSON, | | |
| F. A. HOBART, | | |
| N. H. HUNT, | | |
| N. F. T. HAYDEN, | | |

Feb. 1, 1888.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

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| Balance in hands of Treasurer, Feb. 1, 1887 | \$345 06 |
| From Town Treasurer, one year's interest | |
| Town note \$10,000 | 400 00 |
| Town appropriation | 690 00 |
| From librarian for fines, | 28 58 |
| | <hr/> \$1,463 64 |

EXPENDITURES.

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| Paid Cutter Tower Co., catalogue . . | \$600 00 |
| B. F. Pratt, book | 3 00 |
| Estes & Lauriat, book bindings . . | 90 11 |
| Houghton, Mifflin & Co., book . . | 5 50 |
| Cutter Tower Co., stationery . . | 13 00 |
| J. F. Murphy, magazines | 12 00 |
| Town of Braintree, kindlings . . | 14 40 |
| A. M. Arnold, librarian, 1 year . . | 300 00 |
| A. M. Arnold, incidentals | 5 40 |
| Gus B. Bates, furnace repairs . . | 37 59 |
| J. F. Sheppard & Sons, coal . . | 78 90 |
| Masury, Young & Co., oil | 5 75 |
| C. H. Hobart, fixtures | 3 87 |
| | <hr/> \$1,169 52 |
| Balance on hand deposited with Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co. | <hr/> \$294 12 |

N. F. T. HAYDEN, *Treasurer.*

Approved: ASA FRENCH.

Feb. 1, 1888.

JURY LIST,

AS REVISED BY THE SELECTMEN OF BRAINTREE, FEB. 16, 1888.

Charles G. Anderson,
 John M. Arnold,
 Hiram E. Abbott,
 Joseph M. Allen,
 Richard L. Arnold,
 Gustave B. Bates,
 Charles G. Batson,
 John M. Beals,
 Elisha A. Belcher,
 John A. Brigham,
 Charles I. Craibe,
 William H. Cobb,
 Henry F. Crane,
 Samuel L. Dyer,
 George A. French,
 John V. Scollard,
 Henry Gardner,
 Edward P. Hayward,
 Charles A. Hayward,
 Jonathan E. Hayward,
 Henry Hayward,
 Everett A. Harris,
 Albert R. Hobart,
 Howard M. Hobart,
 Joseph H. Hobart,
 Charles W. Hobart,
 Leander B. Hollis,
 George C. Hollenbeck,
 Ellis Hollingsworth,
 Hosea Jackson,
 Walter E. Morrison,
 Nathaniel F. Hunt,

Salmon F. Jenkins,
 Charles H. Loring,
 Frank G. Lunt,
 Alverdo H. Mason,
 William B. Merritt,
 Charles O. Miller,
 Alva S. Morrison,
 Nathaniel F. T. Hayden,
 Walter O. Munroe,
 William M'Ewan,
 Michael McDermott,
 William H. McGreggor,
 Edward O. Pierson,
 Thomas Penniman,
 Henry A. Penniman,
 Rodolphus Porter,
 James R. Qualey,
 James A. Reynolds,
 John Reed,
 George A. Sproule,
 Charles G. Sheppard,
 Alfred Southworth,
 Willie H. Shaw,
 William H. Stevens,
 Henry Simonds,
 David H. B. Thayer.
 Albert N. White,
 John Whitty,
 Joseph Whitely,
 Charles B. Woodsum,
 Thomas A. Watson,

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in Braintree, on Monday, the fifth day of March, 1888, at eight o'clock, in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 3. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges, for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, and also to vote on the following question, as required by Chap. 54, of the Acts of the year 1881, namely: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

ART. 5. To see what action the town will take in relation to hiring money for any purpose.

ART. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town, for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see if the town will accept the jury list as made by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote an appropriation of \$150, and pay the same to the General Thayer Post, G. A. R., for the purpose of assisting them in defraying the expenses of memorial services on Memorial Day.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to deliver books from the Public Library, to the people of the east part of the town, under the direction of the Trustees, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 10. To see how the town will pay the members of the Fire Department.

ART. 11. To see if the town will instruct the School Committee to employ a Superintendent of Schools, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to request Asa French and F. A. Hobart, owners in trust of the land on which the Public Library building is located, to convey the same to the town, upon condition that the town shall pay the cost of the original purchase with interest, and raise and appropriate such an amount as may be necessary.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to amend the By-laws so as to provide for the election of two additional members of the board of Trustees of the Public Library, on the part of the town.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be needed, to pay the annual interest on the Town Water Bonds, and for the sinking fund to be established for the payment of said Bonds.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350, for a Hook and Ladder Truck, and build addition on the Butcher Boy House for the same.

ART. 16. To see if the town will choose a Committee to take into consideration the subject of celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the town.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to amend Article 2, of the By-laws, so that six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library shall be elected in like manner, as the School Committee now are, and to serve for like terms.

ART. 18. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purpose of widening Hancock street, at the swamp, south of Cart bridge.

ART. 19. To see if the town will take into consideration some other method of heating the Town House and Public Library than that now in use.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to refund to Neil McRae the sum of \$23 $\frac{60}{100}$ wrongfully assessed to him as owner of fourteen acres of woodland.

ART. 21. To see if the town will appoint a committee to consider the erection of a High School building in the north part of the town, and report on the same at the next annual meeting.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to put a new floor in the Town Hall.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to amend section 1 of Article 4 of the By-laws so that the article may read, "The financial year shall begin with the first day of January of each year."

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

ANSEL O. CLARK,
J. MURRAY KNIGHT,
J. FRANKLIN BATES,

Selectmen of Braintree.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

In accordance with the By-laws of the town the Town Clerk submits the following report: If there are any omissions or errors in the list of births, marriages, or deaths, please give information to the Town Clerk, and they will be corrected. It is highly necessary that all the inhabitants of the town should lend their aid, in order that a full and correct registration should be made. Blanks can be had at all times at my office, in order that none may neglect the important requirements of the laws of Massachusetts. During the past year I have obtained of the Secretary of State copies of the laws relating to returns, and have furnished them to the physicians, clergymen and undertakers of the town, and I am happy to say there has been a marked improvement in making the returns.

MARRIAGES.

| | 1887. | Name, | Residence. | Age. |
|------|-------|-------------------------------|-------------|------|
| Jan. | 1. | Charles Alexander Stephenson, | Braintree, | 20 |
| | | Agnes Bridget Shay, | " | 18 |
| | 5. | Foster French Tupper, | " | 28 |
| | | Lydia Jane Holbrook, | " | 26 |
| | 6. | John Morrison, | " | 24 |
| | | Jennie Williams, | " | 22 |
| | 23. | Horace Burgess, | Fall River, | 22 |
| | | Katie Gannon, | Braintree, | 17 |
| | 24. | Frank Landry, | " | 23 |
| | | Maggie Levangie, | " | 22 |
| | 30. | Abraham Lawrence Denbroeder, | Weymouth, | 24 |
| | | Ora Anna Hussey, | Braintree, | 20 |
| Feb. | 7. | Frank Haven Dearing, | " | 22 |
| | | Grace Meade Hayward, | " | 21 |
| | 13. | William Harrison Poole, | Weymouth, | 22 |
| | | Fannie L. Holbrook, | Braintree, | 22 |
| | 21. | Charles Henry Minchin, | " | 19 |
| | | Cora Belle Willis, | " | 21 |
| | 22. | Elbridge Franklin Porter, | " | 34 |
| | | Lizzie Nutter, | " | 19 |
| | 22. | Horace Almon Jones, | " | 24 |

| 1887. | Name, | Residence. | Age. |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------|------|
| Feb. 22. | Fanny May Dugey, | Braintree, | 22 |
| Mar. 18. | John Swan Walker, | " | 21 |
| | Joanna Ryan, | " | 19 |
| 23. | William Merrill Call, | " | 24 |
| | Bertha C. Ewell, | Milton, | 18 |
| April .1. | Henry Harris Howe, | Braintree, | 48 |
| | Mary Jane Davies, | " | 30 |
| 7. | Emor Harris Mathewson, | Weymouth, | 22 |
| | Flora Susan Stoddard, | Braintree, | 27 |
| 21. | Emery S. Thayer, | Weymouth, | 30 |
| | Lizzie M. Hunt, | " | 19 |
| 21. | Daniel Dillon, | Braintree, | 27 |
| | Kate Gill, | Boston, | 22 |
| 26. | Albert Everett Avery, | Braintree, | 28 |
| | Susan Josephine Dowse, | Weymouth, | 25 |
| 28. | Lewis Henry Tirrell, | Braintree, | 21 |
| | Mary Helen Clayton, | Barnstable, | 18 |
| May 29. | Denis Godfrey Madden, | New York, | 27 |
| | Elizabeth (Haley) Lewis, | Braintree, | 27 |
| June 13. | Bernard McGlincy, | " | 24 |
| | Margaret Gertrude King, | " | 23 |
| 14. | Walter Ellis Morrison, | " | 23 |
| | Edith Agnes Follansbee, | " | 20 |
| 17. | Daniel Henry Sherman, | " | 20 |
| | Nannie Sherman Hayden, | " | 23 |
| 29. | Frank Herbert Morgan, | " | 25 |
| | Carrie Lydia Bowditch, | " | 19 |
| 29. | Stephen Irving Ellis, | " | 35 |
| | Carrie Bartlett Field, | Boston, | 24 |
| July 4. | Alfred Warren Jones, | Braintree, | 22 |
| | Adela French, | " | 29 |
| 13. | Augustus Lawrence Hamilton, | " | 19 |
| | Minnie Moore, | Auburn, Me., | 18 |
| 25. | Thomas Black, Jr., | Braintree, | 25 |
| | Frances Eva Daviole, | Boston, | 20 |
| 30. | Charles Lyman Abell, | Braintree, | 28 |
| | Sarah Ann Kelley, | " | 20 |
| Aug. 6. | Alphonso William Taylor, | " | 24 |
| | Margaret Gartland, | " | 19 |
| 23. | George Washington Sias, | Milton, | 29 |
| | H. Floriena Hunt, | Braintree, | 32 |
| 28. | Isaac Osterweil, | " | 29 |
| | Mary C. Lewis, | Boston, | 19 |
| Sept. 4. | Wallace Orlando Jones, | Braintree, | 29 |
| | Hattie Maria Shaw, | " | 28 |

| 1887. | Name. | Residence. | Age. |
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| Sept. 7. | Henry Briggs Wadsworth, | " | 25 |
| | Ada May Hollenbeck, | " | 24 |
| Oct. 5. | William Arthur Robinson, | Boston. | 30 |
| | Addie Jane Hale, | Braintree, | 26 |
| 12. | Hollis Gardner Rand, | Boston, | 28 |
| | Helen Florence Mildram, | Braintree, | 20 |
| 12. | Woodbury Hamilton, | " | 28 |
| | Clara Edith Spear, | " | 17 |
| 13. | Adam H. Bower, | " | 46 |
| | Mary A. Crocker, | Chelsea, | 49 |
| 26, | Louis Wesley Thayer, | Braintree, | 29 |
| | Idella Frances Stevens, | " | 23 |
| 27. | John Edmund Rudderham, | " | 24 |
| | Frances May McLean, | Randolph, | 17 |
| Nov. 7. | Thomas Francis Fitzgerald, | Braintree, | 29 |
| | Mary Ellen Cahill, | Brookline, | 22 |
| 9. | Hiram Willie Hayden, | Braintree, | 27 |
| | Mary Ann French, | Randolph, | 28 |
| 12. | Joseph Whitman Stetson, | Braintree, | 20 |
| | Adora Morton Buker, | " | 25 |
| 16. | Millard Fillmore Dyer, | " | 24 |
| | Annie Mabel Hollis, | Randolph, | 21 |
| 22. | Joseph H. Page, | Holbrook, | 31 |
| | Annie Chadbourne, | " | 22 |
| 23. | Perry Hare, | Braintree, | 25 |
| | Minnie Reed, | " | 21 |
| 23. | John Joseph Condon, | " | 27 |
| | Lizzie Agnes Dennehy, | Brockton, | 22 |
| 23. | Thomas Griffin, | Weymouth, | 23 |
| | Jennie Downs, | Braintree, | 19 |
| 23. | Edward Patrick Condrick, | Weymouth, | 24 |
| | Mary Ann McCue, | Braintree, | 23 |
| 24, | Lauchlin McPhee, | Quincy, | 25 |
| | Sarah Ann Goss, | Braintree, | 23 |
| 24. | Edward Franklin Kent, | Holbrook, | 20 |
| | Christina Sophia Henderson, | Braintree, | 19 |
| Dec. 7. | Harry Bromridge, | Canada, | 23 |
| | Alice (Kemp) Morris, | New York, | 24 |
| 13. | Asa Palmer French, | Braintree, | 27 |
| | Elizabeth Ambrose Wales, | Randolph, | 22 |
| 21. | Rolland Walker Stoddard, | Braintree, | 29 |
| | Cora Ann Davis, | Brockton, | 24 |
| 25. | James Frederick Smith, | Westford, | 30 |
| | Mary Luella Tower, | Braintree, | 31 |
| 28. | Stephen H. Davis, | Maine, | 59 |
| | Josephine E. Smith, | Braintree, | 47 |

| 1887. | Name. | Residence. | Age. |
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| Dec. 31. | Frank Lorenzo Price, | Brockton, | 20 |
| | Jennie Wilson Ness, | Braintree, | 25 |

Whole number of marriages 57.

Twenty-five were born in Braintree, 11 in Weymouth, 7 in Randolph, 6 in Boston, 25 in other towns in Massachusetts, 13 in Canada, 7 in Maine, 6 in New York, 4 in Ireland, 3 in New Hampshire, 2 each in Rhode Island and Scotland, and 1 each Wisconsin, Connecticut, and Austria.

Twenty-four marriages were solemnized in Braintree, 8 in Boston, 7 in Weymouth, 5 in Quincy, 4 in Randolph, 3 in Brockton, and 1 each in Somerville, Brookline, Fall River, Waltham, Walpole, and Cohasset.

Seven were married by Rev. A. A. Ellsworth, 5 by Rev. W. B. Heath, and 1 each by Rev. W. L. Hood, Rev. E. O. Dyer and S. A. Bates, Esq. Forty-two were married by clergymen of other towns.

One hundred and eight were married for the first time, 4 for the second, and 2 for the third.

Average age of males, $26\frac{1}{2}$ years.

Average age of females, $23\frac{1}{4}$ years.

BIRTHS.

| 1887. | Name. | Parents. |
|----------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jan. 3. | Edward Marshall Hobart, | Leonard M. and Ruth A. |
| 3. | Ernest John Pace, | Charles A. and Mary. |
| 7. | Nellie Lillian Dunham, | Henry A. and Lillian R. |
| 9. | Sumner Edward Thompson, | Frank S. and Bertha W. |
| 11. | Mary Roche, | Thomas H. and Mary E. |
| 19. | Christina Hennessy, | John T. and Annie. |
| Feb. 18. | John F. Mooney, | Henry and Mary E. |
| 23. | Martha Elliott Goodnow, | Charles E. and Lydia D. |
| Mar. 1. | George H. Dejon, | Lewis and Theresa. |
| 16. | Ferdon Shaw, | Willie H. and Mary V. |
| 18. | James Francis Lane, | James and Alice. |
| 22. | Gage, | George and |
| 22. | George Everett Carver, | William A. and Sarah L. |
| 30. | Beatrice Louise Hollinshead, | Thomas and Sarah. |
| April 9. | Martha Rogers, | Simon and Mary. |
| 15. | Harold Arthur Stone, | C. Harold and Jennie B. |

| 1887. | Name. | Parents. |
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| April 26. | Alice Gertrude Bestick, | George R. M. and Alice. |
| 26. | Willie Morrison, | John and Jennie. |
| 27. | George William Creed, | George H. and Selina. |
| May 8. | Alvin Fillmore Smith, | Alfred F. and Georgie J. |
| 8. | Hazel Arthur Reddy, | Samuel and Lydia. |
| 20. | Warren Lorenzo Bates, | Harry S. and Lizzie E. |
| | John E. Walker, | John S. and Johanna. |
| June 6. | John Joseph Finegan, | John E. and Margaret A. |
| 7. | Helen Victoria Drinkwater, | Albion C. and Susie H. |
| 7. | George T. Dowd, | Paul and Theresa. |
| 8. | Marion Ashley Dyer, | Brainard T. and Emma M. |
| 15. | Edward Whitney, | William and Mary. |
| 15. | John Alfred Frazer, | Fred and Amelia. |
| 16. | Eva Adeline Moir, | William H. and Mary J. |
| 16. | Edgar Allen Moir, | William H. and Mary J. |
| 20. | Holton, | Thomas and Alphonsine L. |
| 20. | Rose Emily Wallace, | William H. and Mary A. |
| July 4. | Maynard W. Brown, | Willard P. and Mary J. |
| 12. | George Phipps, | William B. and Mary A. |
| 13. | Amos B. Wixon, | Amos R. and Lydia G. |
| 29. | Etta Seeves, | William and Eva. |
| Aug. 4. | Irene Lucretia Wheeler, | James E. and Mary J. |
| 12. | Hattie May Osborn, | Walter S. and Laura A. |
| 12. | Eva Rolfe Griffin, | Fred J. and Josephine. |
| 13. | John Albert Lahey, | David and Mattie. |
| 17. | Julia Griffin, | Michael and Julia. |
| 18. | Jacob Henry Hearn, | William and Amelia. |
| 21. | Corkery, | Elizabeth. |
| Sept. 9. | Mary Christina Beaton, | Malcolm and Anna. |
| 10. | George William Holmes, | William L. and Rosina M. |
| 19. | Elizabeth E. Campbell, | Edward C. and Sarah J. |
| 19. | Samuel Dow Woodsum, | Maurice B. and Mary H. |
| 23. | Abby Standish Herrick, | Thomas W. and Elizabeth. |
| 23. | Michael Henry O'Brien, | Michael and Josephine. |
| Oct. 1. | Josephine Baker, | Thomas and Elizabeth. |
| 4. | Marion Christina Dexheimer, | Jacob and Jeanette. |
| 5. | Emily Adams Vinton, | Henry B. and Mary E. |
| 6. | John Alfred Taylor, | Alphonso and Margaret. |
| 14. | Mary Ann Mahoney, | Andrew F. and Catherine T. |
| 15. | Margaret Ethel Thayer, | George C. and Addie L. |
| 18. | Annie Margaret Kirby, | John H. and Annie. |
| 22. | Warren Edwin Goodnow, | Amos W. and Ella F. |
| 22. | Cora Emily Hollinshead, | John and Fanny. |
| 29. | Charles Henry Pratt, | Henry O. and Maria L. |
| Nov. 1. | Flora Dejon, | Simon and Mary. |

| 1887. | Name. | Parents. |
|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Nov. 4. | George Lewis Billings, | John A. and Mary L. |
| 4. | Johnson, | F. Edward and Hannah L. |
| 8. | Mary Lucinda Reynolds, | Louis and Cora A. |
| 22. | Herbert Clement Dennehy, | John H. and Nellie M. |
| 30. | Annie Jane Pitts, | John and Annie. |
| Dec. 1. | Norbert Branley Shay, | Edward and Maria L. |
| 9. | Oliver Clinton Robery, | John P. and Matilda. |
| 12. | Lucy Ann McManus, | John and Bridget. |
| 14. | Mary Eliza Sullivan, | Michael J. and Ann. |
| 15. | Jennie Alberta Shaw, | Edwin F. and Lu L. |
| 17. | Charles Alexander Stephenson, | Charles A. and Agnes B. |
| 19. | Bunker, | Joshua M. and Nancy A. |
| 20. | Walter Chester Connell, | Walter T. and Mary E. |
| 29. | Carl Pierce Lothrop, | Charles M. and Alice M. |

OMITTED IN 1886.

| 1886. | | |
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| Mar. 22. | William Francis Shehan, | John F. and Honora. |
| Apr. 13. | Daniel Francis O'Brien, | Michael and Josephine. |
| 16. | Winslow Madison Harris, | Everett A. and Melora E. |
| July 27. | Sarah Jane Orr, | William and Sarah. |
| Aug. 31. | John Hackett Strathdee, | Arthur and Annie. |
| Dec. 3. | Ethel Edith Grant Strathdee, | David G. and Annie. |

Whole number of births in 1887, 75. Males, 40. Females, 34. Unknown, 1.

Eleven of the fathers were born in Braintree; 24 in other towns in Massachusetts; 16 in Canada; 7 in England; 6 in Ireland; 4 in Maine; 3 in Rhode Island; 1 each in New York and Russia; 2 unknown.

Nine of the mothers were born in Braintree; 27 in other towns in Massachusetts; 17 in Canada; 9 in Ireland; 4 in England; 3 each in Maine and New York; 1 each in Illinois and Switzerland; 1 unknown.

DEATHS.

| | | Age. | | |
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| 1887. | | Y. | M. | D. |
| Jan. | 7. Ellen Briggs (Coolihan), Ireland, | 46 | — | — |
| | 17. Alexander Greenlaw, Scotland, | 61 | 7 | — |
| | 21. Nellie L. Dunham, Braintree, | — | — | — |
| | 24. Samuel M. Chamberlain, New York, | 59 | — | — |
| | 24. Cecilia Dolan (Doherty), Ireland, | 56 | 3 | — |
| Feb. | 1. George W. Hill, Braintree, | 33 | 6 | 9 |
| | 11. Margaret Slavin, Ireland, | 78 | — | — |
| | 19. William F. Shehan, Braintree, | — | 10 | 28 |
| | 20. Fred E. Teele, Boston, | 16 | 2 | — |
| | 21. William M. Sherman, Carver, | 70 | 5 | 23 |
| | 22. Arthur W. Belcher, Braintree, | — | 8 | 5 |
| | 26. Harriet M. Morton (Wood), Plymouth, | 64 | 3 | 24 |
| | 28. Hannah Downes (Kenney), Ireland, | 45 | — | — |
| Mar. | 1. Charlotte S. Trufant (Hanks), Connecticut, | 73 | 6 | 19 |
| | 4. John F. Mooney, Braintree, | — | — | 14 |
| | 6. Joel Hollis, Braintree, | 72 | 5 | 29 |
| | 12. Caroline Wild (Healey), Boston, | 87 | 9 | 8 |
| | 13. Rose A. McManus, Braintree, | — | 8 | 2 |
| | 15. David Wilson, Scotland, | 82 | 9 | 3 |
| | 23. John F. O'Brien, Maine, | 41 | — | — |
| | 25. Perry L. Parker, Scituate, | 66 | 8 | 20 |
| April | 4. Thomas Mundy, England, | 58 | 5 | 18 |
| | 4. Catharine Brosnahan, Boston, | 13 | 9 | — |
| | 6. A. Watts Hobart, Braintree, | 50 | 10 | 20 |
| | 10. Tristram Dalton, Maine, | 77 | — | — |
| | 12. Thomas Daniels, Middleboro', | 73 | 8 | 13 |
| | 13. Nellie W. Allen, Maine, | 14 | 3 | 29 |
| | 19. John P. Sullivan, Braintree, | 1 | 11 | 1 |
| | 23. William G. Hill, Ireland, | 42 | 6 | 17 |
| | 23. Susan A. McMahon, | 18 | 4 | 23 |
| | 27. George W. Creed, Braintree, | — | — | — |
| | 29. Edward C. Adams, Dedham, | 8 | 2 | 7 |
| May | 9. Moses D. Holbrook, Braintree, | 56 | 10 | 7 |
| | 12. Isaac Willett, Hanson, | 83 | 3 | 22 |
| | 15. Marcia S. Libby (Preble), Maine, | 47 | 9 | — |
| | 18. Alvin F. Smith, Braintree, | — | — | 10 |
| | 22. Lucinda Stoddard (Penniman), Braintree, | 83 | 10 | 21 |
| June | 2. Patrick T. Donahue, Braintree, | — | 7 | 17 |
| | 6. Emeline S. Stoddard (May), Roxbury, | 58 | 10 | 23 |
| | 20. Holton, Braintree, | — | — | — |
| | 22. A. Henry Henderson, Scotland, | 63 | — | — |
| | 24. Charles E. Wilkins, Braintree, | 17 | 11 | 22 |
| | 25. Elizabeth Murck (Mitchell), Scotland, | 72 | 2 | 11 |
| | 30. Annie Dejon, Braintree, | — | 10 | 19 |
| | 30. Mary L. Merrill (Lane), Boston, | 66 | 7 | 5 |

| 1887. | | Name and Birthplace. | Age. | | |
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| | | | Y. | M. | D. |
| July | 1. | Martha E. Walsh, Nova Scotia, | 93 | 1 | 21 |
| | 3. | Albion W. Simonds, Braintree, | — | 9 | 17 |
| | 13. | Hannah C. Jenkins, Scituate, | 90 | 2 | 11 |
| | 18. | Alice G. Bestick, Braintree, | — | 2 | 22 |
| | 26. | Charlotte Williston (Tower), Cohasset, | 79 | 10 | 12 |
| Aug. | 5. | Clara J. Purcell (Taylor), Randolph, | 40 | 8 | 21 |
| | 15. | Sarah J. McGaw (Friel), Braintree, | 35 | 8 | 2 |
| | 16. | Rose E. Wallace, Braintree, | — | 1 | 27 |
| | 21. | John E. Walker, Braintree, | — | 3 | — |
| | 22. | Marietta Richards (Graves), Boston, | 55 | 0 | 26 |
| | 27. | Ann M. B. White (Capen), Braintree, | 87 | 1 | 20 |
| Sept. | 2. | Rachel Bowditch, Braintree, | 73 | 5 | 15 |
| | 3. | John M. Webster, Salem, N. H., | — | 8 | 21 |
| | 5. | Annie Malally, Rhode Island, | 1 | 4 | — |
| | 6. | Frank Clancy, Boston, | — | 6 | — |
| | 12. | William A. Faxon, Cambridge, | 28 | 6 | 1 |
| | 13. | Maynard W. Brown, Braintree, | — | 2 | 9 |
| | 16. | Robert W. Lincoln, Hingham, | 76 | 1 | 2 |
| | 22. | Maria Hall (Dorr), Concord, | 33 | 8 | 14 |
| | 24. | John Kennedy, Ireland, | 21 | — | — |
| | 26. | George W. Arnold, Braintree, | 79 | — | 26 |
| Oct. | 5. | Marion C. Dexheimer, Braintree, | — | — | 1 |
| | 15. | Sally White, Braintree, | 80 | — | — |
| | 24. | John A. Taylor, Braintree, | — | — | 20 |
| Nov. | 6. | Jane Foxwell (Irwin), Ireland, | 75 | 5 | 25 |
| | 6. | Lucretia Dalton (Sims), Dorchester, | 78 | 0 | 21 |
| | 7. | J. Waldo Hayward, Braintree, | 78 | 4 | 14 |
| Dec. | 7. | Anna M. Woll, Cambridgeport, | 3 | 10 | 17 |
| | 10. | Joseph H. Mellus, Boston, | 78 | 6 | 9 |
| | 12. | John Q. Denton, Braintree, | 60 | 8 | 4 |
| | 17. | D. Webster Teele, Somerville, | 53 | 4 | 11 |
| | 26. | Emma S. Cole, Braintree, | 19 | 6 | 25 |
| | 31. | John T. Perry, Quincy, | 27 | 1 | 11 |

Stillborn, 3; making in all, 81.

22 were under 5 years of age.

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| 1 | between 5 and 10 years of age. |
| 6 | “ 10 “ 20 “ “ |
| 3 | “ 20 “ 30 “ “ |
| 3 | “ 30 “ 40 “ “ |
| 6 | “ 40 “ 50 “ “ |
| 8 | “ 50 “ 60 “ “ |
| 6 | “ 60 “ 70 “ “ |
| 15 | “ 70 “ 80 “ “ |
| 6 | “ 80 “ 90 “ “ |
| 2 | “ 90 “ 100 “ “ |

Average age of deaths, $41\frac{1}{4}$ years.

Males, 42; females, 39.

Single, 41; married, 23; widowed, 17.

36 were born in Braintree; 24 in other places in Massachusetts; 7 in Ireland; 4 each in Maine and Scotland; 1 each in Rhode Island, New York, New Hampshire, Connecticut, England, and Nova Scotia.

The birthplaces of the parents of the deceased were as follows:

Fathers.—Braintree, 18; other places in Massachusetts, 17; Ireland, 13; Scotland, 6; England, 5; Maine, 4; Rhode Island, 3; New Brunswick, Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Canada, 2 each; New York, Virginia, Nova Scotia, and Norway, 1 each; unknown, 3.

Mothers.—Braintree, 13; other places in Massachusetts, 32; Ireland, 15; Scotland and New York, 4 each; England and Maine, 2 each; New Brunswick, Connecticut, Switzerland, Nova Scotia, Vermont, Canada, and Sweden, 1 each; unknown, 2.

Causes of death are as follows: Consumption, 9; heart disease and cholera infantum, 7 each; cancer, pneumonia, apoplexy, and brain disease, 5 each; meningitis and infantile, 4 each; stillborn, inanition, old age, and diphtheria, 3 each; railroad accident, paralysis, and concussion of the brain, 2 each; ramollissement cerebris, drowned, Bright's disease, hydrocephalus, dysentery, peritonitis, diabetis, hernia, pyelitis, and necrosis of femur, 1 each; unknown, 2.

35 were buried in Braintree; 14 in Weymouth; 11 in Quincy; 6 in Boston; 2 in Brookline; and one each in Plymouth, Scituate, Dedham, South Scituate, Cohasset, Randolph, Holbrook, Hingham, Brockton, Chelsea, Maine, New Hampshire, and St. Pierre, Miquelon.

23 voters died during the year.

TOWN RECORDS.

NORFOLK, SS. To either of the Constables of the town of
Braintree, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in Braintree, on Wednesday, the twenty-third day of February next, at 7.15 o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the Report of the Committee chosen by the town to negotiate with the Braintree Water Supply Co., relative to the purchase of the franchise, corporate property, and other rights and privileges of said Corporation, and to take such action thereon as may be deemed expedient.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to elect Water Commissioners under the Act of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five (1885,) and vote to proceed thereunder.

ART. 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize its Treasurer and Water Commissioners to issue, from time to time, bonds, notes, or scrip of the town, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of the Act of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five (1885). Such bonds, notes, or scrip, to be drawn and issued according with the provision of Section 5 of said Act.

You are to give notice of the meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this sixteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| J. MURRAY KNIGHT, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. F. BATES, | |
| HENRY A. MONK, | |
| | <i>of</i> |
| | } <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, SS.

BRAINTREE, Feb. 16, 1887.

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant, I have this day posted attested copies of the same, as the law directs.

EDWIN L. CURTIS,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest: SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk.*

BRAINTREE, Feb. 23, 1887.

In accordance with the above warrant, the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Upon ballot, C. N. Wallace was elected Moderator, and declined to serve.

Another ballot was had, and Edward Avery was elected Moderator, and was sworn by the Clerk.

Report of the Water Supply Committee was submitted in print.

Voted, That Article 2, be laid on the table.

Voted, That Article 3, be laid on the table.

Voted, That the town proceed to ballot, Yes or No, by the use of the check list, on the Fourth Article of the warrant, viz:— To see if the town will vote to authorize its Treasurer and Water Commissioners, to issue from time to time, bonds, notes, or scrip of the town, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate, one hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of the Act of the year 1885. Such bonds, notes, or scrip to be drawn and issued according with the provision of Section 5 of said Act.

J. M. Knight and H. A. Monk were appointed to check the list, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot having been taken, the Moderator announced the result as follows, viz:

Whole number of ballots, 184. Yes, 120; No, 64. Necessary for its adoption, 123.

There not being the necessary two-thirds, it was declared not adopted.

Voted to adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk.*

NORFOLK, SS. To either of the Constables, of the town of
Braintree, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the Report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

ART 3. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year; and also to vote on the following question as required by Chap. 54, of the Acts of the year 1881, viz:—"Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town."

ART. 5. To see what action the town will take in relation to hiring money for any purpose.

ART. 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see if the town will accept the jury list as made by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote an appropriation of \$150, and pay the same to the Gen. Sylvanus Thayer Post, G. A. R., for the purpose of assisting them in defraying the expenses of Memorial services on "Memorial Day."

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to have the By-laws printed, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to deliver books from the Public Library to the people of the east part of the town under the direction of the trustees, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 11. To see how the town will vote to pay the members of the Fire Department.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and re-appropriate the sum of \$835, that being the unexpended balance of

the appropriation of last year, for the building new road from Liberty to Elliott street, and necessary to complete the same.

ART. 13. To see if the town will instruct the School Committee to employ a superintendent of schools, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to build a drain to carry the water off Central avenue, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the same.

ART. 15. To see if the town will repair Quincy avenue, and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 16. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$200 to finish Walnut avenue.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100, for the completion of Sterling street.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200, to finish Prospect street.

ART. 19. To see what action the town will take on the claim of E. Bannon, for bounty and state aid.

ART. 20. To see if the town will take measures to prevent the flow of water through the culvert under Washington street, upon the premises of the Misses Pratt, corner of Holbrook avenue.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for conveying the pupils to and from the High School, the same to be expended by the School Committee at their discretion.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to discontinue that part of Plain street, commencing near the property of Michael Brandley, and running to a point near the house of N. H. Hunt, and confer such authority on the Selectmen as may be required by law for that purpose.

ART. 23. To see if the town will accept the new road from the end of Pearl street, near the Old Colony Railroad station, to a point near the junction of Liberty and Middle streets, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to build the same.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to amend its By-laws by the addition of the following article, namely:—The Town Clerk shall at the end of each fiscal year, furnish to the Select-

men, an abstract of the records of all town meetings held during the year, which abstract shall contain the records of actions taken and of the appointments of committees, and shall be published with the annual report of Town Officers.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to amend Art. 11, of the By-laws, so that six Trustees of the Thayer Public Library shall be elected in like manner, as the School Committee now are, and to serve for like terms; or so that the town shall elect two Trustees biennially, and the Trustees of Thayer Academy three for life.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to have the buildings at the Almshouse painted, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$200, to pay for the same.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to widen and straighten Commercial street, as ordered by the County Commissioners, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the same.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this Warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| J. MURRAY KNIGHT, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| HENRY A. MONK, | |
| | of |
| | <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, Feb. 25, 1887.

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant, I have this day, posted attested copies of the same, as the law directs.

EDWIN L. CURTIS,

Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY,

Attest: SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk.*

BRAINTREE, March 7, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

The ballot having been taken, Francis A. Hobart was declared elected Moderator, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That Article two be laid on the table.

Voted, To proceed to the election of the following town officers on one ballot, namely: Town Clerk; Treasurer; three Selectmen, who shall be Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Surveyors of Highways; two School Committee for three years; three Fence Viewers; three Auditors; and nine Constables; and also at the same time on the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Polls were declared open at 8 h. 10 min. A. M.

J. Murray Knight was appointed to check the voting list, and, was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To reconsider the vote whereby we voted to vote on the question of the sale of intoxicating liquors, and that said vote be taken at one o'clock, P. M.

Moderator appointed James T. Stevens, Willie H. Shaw and L. H. H. Johnson to act as tellers to assort and count the votes and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That a committee of nine be appointed by the Chair to report what appropriations are necessary to be made to defray the expenses of the town the ensuing year. George D. Willis, Frank O. Whitmarsh, Eliphaz E. Thayer, George H. Arnold, J. Franklin Bates, Albert E. Avery, Albion C. Drinkwater and Alverdo Mason were appointed said committee.

Voted, That the polls be declared closed at one o'clock, P. M., and at that time they were closed.

Voted, To proceed to ballot on the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Polls declared open at two minutes past one, P. M.

Voted, To close the polls at 2 o'clock, P. M., and at that time they were declared closed.

The result of the ballot was as follows, namely:

Whole number of ballots, 236. Yes, 80; No, 155; simply "No," 1.

The Tellers having completed their labors, the Moderator declared the result of the ballot as follows, namely :

Whole number of ballots, 547.

Town Clerk,—Samuel A. Bates, had 544, and was declared elected, and sworn by the Moderator.

Town Treasurer,—Scattering, 1; David H. Bates, 545; elected and sworn by the Moderator.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, and Surveyors of Highways,—Scattering, 3; Henry Mann, 61; Henry A. Monk, 258; J. Murray Knight, 267; J. Franklin Bates, 415; Ansel O. Clark, 470.

A separate ticket for Surveyors of Highways was thrown, which the Moderator declared should be counted, by which it appeared that Henry A. Monk had a plurality of votes, he announced that Henry A. Monk had been elected Surveyor of Highways, instead of J. Murray Knight.

Henry A. Monk then declined serving as Surveyor of Highways.

Voted, To proceed to ballot for Surveyor of Highways. The ballot having been taken, J. Murray Knight was elected, and so declared.

Ansel O. Clark, J. Franklin Bates and J. Murray Knight, were sworn by the Moderator.

School Committee for three years,—Albert E. Avery, 537, elected and accepted; John Reed, 547, elected and accepted. Scattering 3.

Auditors,—George D. Willis, 544; Alverdo Mason, 544; John M. Beals, 492; John M. Bates, 54. Scattering, 3.

George D. Willis, Alverdo Mason and John M. Beals; were elected and sworn by the Moderator.

Constables,—Joshua Bunker, 546; Gilman D. Whittaker, 545; Albert Hobart, 542; Thomas Clinton, 545; John W. W. Rowell, 540; Edwin L. Curtis, 540; Horace Faxon, 539; Edgar Hayden, 535; John Kelley, 2d, 512. Scattering, 3.

Joshua M. Bunker, Albert Hobart, Thomas Clinton, John W. W. Rowell, Edwin L. Curtis, Horace Faxon, Edgar Hayden, were declared elected, and were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. Gilman D. Whittaker, and John Kelley, 2d, were declared elected, but declined serving as Constables.

Fence Viewers,—Edward Hobart, 544; Freeman G. Crosby, 544; Albert E. Avery, 537.

Edward Hobart was declared elected, but declined serving in that capacity.

Freeman G. Crosby and Albert E. Avery were declared elected, and were sworn.

Voted, To proceed to the choice of a fence viewer, in place of Edward Hobart, declined; and J. Franklin Bates was elected and sworn.

Moved to proceed to the choice of two Trustees of the Thayer Public Library.

Voted, That the motion be laid on the table.

The following officers were then elected by hand votes, namely:

Measurers of Grain,—J. Francis White and Willie J. Loring, and sworn.

Weighers of Hay,—Martin L. Tupper, J. Marcus Arnold, Charles G. Sheppard and Willie J. Loring, and sworn.

Measurers of Lumber,—Martin L. Tupper, Henry Gardner and William R. Penniman, and sworn.

Measurer of Leather,—Albion C. Drinkwater, and sworn.

Measurers of Wood,—J. Marcus Arnold, Charles G. Sheppard, Martin L. Tupper, Willie J. Loring, and sworn. Alfred F. Smith, declined.

Field Drivers,—H. Almon Jones, Robert McDowell, Willie H. Shaw, N. Allen Penniman, Frank E. Drake and Paul Dowd, and sworn. Charles O. Miller, George E. Fogg, Horace Dana, Foster F. Tupper, Elbridge F. Porter and F. H. Dearing, but did not qualify.

Voted, To instruct the Selectmen to appoint a poundkeeper.

Voted, To let out the collection of taxes to the lowest bidder, and Nathaniel F. Hunt, having agreed to collect them for nine mills on the dollar, was elected by ballot, Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year, and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Article 4 laid on the table.

ARTICLE 5. *Voted* unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes of the current fiscal year, and to issue notes of the town therefor; and the debts incurred under the authority of this vote, are hereby made payable from said taxes.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money, to renew, replace, or pay any existing loan, or any part thereof, and to issue notes of the town therefor.

ARTICLE 6. The committee on appropriations made a report, and the following sums of money were voted to be raised and appropriated for the several objects specified, namely :

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| School incidentals | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$300 00 |
| Schoolhouse incidentals | . | . | . | . | . | . | 400 00 |
| Poor in almshouse | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,800 00 |
| Poor out of almshouse | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,800 00 |
| Fire department | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,800 00 |
| Removal of snow | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,000 00 |
| Town lands | . | . | . | . | . | . | 100 00 |
| Incidental expenses | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,200 00 |
| Janitor | . | . | . | . | . | . | 600 00 |
| Superintendent of schools | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,200 00 |

Voted, That \$42.76 be reappropriated for the delivery of books to the east part of the town, the said sum having been unexpended the last year.

Voted, The further consideration of the 6th article be deferred till the adjourned meeting.

ARTICLE 7. *Voted*, To accept the following Jury list, as prepared by the Selectmen, and reported to the town in their printed report, namely :

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| Charles G. Anderson, | Thomas J. McCormick, | Peter D. Holbrook, |
| John M. Arnold, | William M'Ewan, | Ellis Hollingsworth, |
| Edward P. Allen, | Michael McDermott, | Hosea Jackson, |
| Hiram E. Abbott, | William H. McGregor, | Henry A. Penniman, |
| Joseph M. Allen, | Edward O. Pierson, | Elbridge F. Porter, |
| Richard L. Arnold, | Thomas Penniman, | Isaac Porter, |
| Gustave B. Bates, | William H. Cobb, | James R. Qualey, |
| Samuel A. Bates, | Henry F. Crane, | James A. Reynolds, |
| Charles G. Batson, | Samuel L. Dyer, | John Reed, |
| John M. Beals, | Thomas Fallon, | George A. Sproule. |

Elisha A. Belcher,
 John A. Brigham,
 Charles I. Craibe,
 Freeman G. Crosby,
 Salmon F. Jenkins,
 Charles H. Loring,
 Frank G. Lunt,
 Alverdo H. Mason,
 William B. Merritt,
 Charles O. Miller,
 Alva S. Morrison,
 Ira P. Morrison,

George A. French,
 Robert Gillespie,
 Henry Gardner,
 Edward P. Hayward,
 Jonathan E. Hayward,
 Charles A. Hayward,
 Henry Hayward,
 Everett A. Harris,
 Albert R. Hobart,
 Howard M. Hobart,
 Joseph H. Hobart,
 Charles W. Hobart,

Charles G. Sheppard,
 Alfred Southworth,
 Edward G. Stoddard,
 Willie H. Shaw,
 William H. Stevens,
 Henry Simonds,
 Charles Thayer,
 David H. B. Thayer,
 Albert N. White,
 John Whitty,
 Joseph Whitely.

Voted, That the remaining articles in the warrant be now called in their order, and considered. In case any gentleman shall rise in his place, and state that he is desirous to discuss any article as it is called, action thereon shall be postponed until the adjourned meeting. All other articles shall be disposed of now.

ARTICLE 8. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$150, and pay the same to the Gen. Sylvanus Thayer Post, G. A. R., for the purpose of assisting them in defraying the expenses of memorial services on "Memorial Day."

ART. 12. Voted to raise and reappropriate the sum of \$835, that being the unexpended balance of the appropriation of last year for the building of the new road from Liberty to Eliott street.

ART. 13. Voted to instruct the School Committee to employ a Superintendent of Schools.

ART. 19. Voted that the claim of E. Bannon for bounty and state aid be referred to the Selectmen, with instructions to appear before the committee of the Legislature, to see that the interests of the town are protected in the proposed legislation.

Voted, That the Surveyors of Highways examine into the condition of Quincy avenue, and report at the adjourned meeting.

Voted, To adjourn until the first Monday of April, 1887, at one o'clock, P. M.

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

RECOUNT OF VOTES.

BRAINTREE, March 8, 1887.

TO SAMUEL A. BATES, TOWN CLERK OF BRAINTREE :

The undersigned, legal and qualified voters of the town of Braintree, respectfully represent that they have reason to believe, and do believe, that an error was made in ascertaining and declaring the result of the election of Selectmen and Surveyor of Highways, at the town meeting held on the seventh instant, whereby J. Murray Knight was declared to be elected as one of said Selectmen, and Henry A. Monk as one of the Surveyors of Highways, and believing that a recount of all votes cast at said election, so far as they relate to said Knight and Monk, will show that the said Monk was elected as one of the Selectmen of said town, respectfully petition that a recount be made of the ballots cast at said election, both for Selectmen and Surveyor of Highways, in accordance with the provisions of Sect. 2, Chap. 262, of the Act of the Legislature of 1886, to more fully determine the result of said election. Douglas A. Brooks, W. A. Kane, Joseph E. Holbrook, R. F. Randall, Elisha Thayer, S. L. Dyer, A. F. Smith, C. M. Lothrop, L. M. Hobart, Fred P. Lothrop, Orin W. Jackson, Edwin L. Curtis, J. W. Chick.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest :

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 8, 1887.

Received and filed in the office of the Town Clerk.

S. A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 10, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing petition I, Francis A. Hobart, Moderator of said meeting, appointed Thursday, March 10, 1887, at 4 o'clock, P. M., when a recount of votes cast at the meeting of March 7, 1887, was made; James T. Stevens, Samuel A. Bates and Albert E. Avery, who were duly appointed and sworn by me for that duty, and it was found that J. Murray Knight received 267 votes, and Henry A. Monks 259 votes for Selectman; and

J. Murray Knight received 267 votes, and Henry A. Monk received 263 votes for Surveyor of Highways.

I therefore declare that J. Murray Knight was elected Selectman and Surveyor of Highways on the seventh day of March, 1887.

FRANCIS A. HOBART,
Moderator.

A TRUE COPY,

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, April 4, 1887.

Pursuant to adjournment from March 7, 1887, the meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

Voted, That Art. 2 be taken from the table.

Voted, That the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Thayer Public Library be required to deposit the income of the trust fund with the Town Treasurer.

After considerable discussion, it was voted that the report of the Auditors be accepted.

Voted, That Art. 4 be taken from the table.

The Town Clerk reported a list of officers elect who had declined or had not taken their oath of office, viz: Constables, Gilman D. Whittaker and John Kelley, 2d; Measurer of Wood, Alfred F. Smith; Field Drivers, F. H. Dearing, E. F. Porter, Horace Dana, F. F. Tupper, G. E. Fogg, and C. O. Miller.

Voted, That Edward M. Wight be elected Measurer of Wood, and he was sworn by the Moderator.

Voted, That the Selectmen are hereby authorized to fill the vacancies in field drivers if in their judgment they shall deem it necessary.

Voted, That Art. 4 be laid on the table.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several objects specified, namely:

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| Schools | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$8,400 00 |
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In addition to what may be received from the state and town school funds, and the dog tax, which are hereby appropriated for schools.

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| Text books and supplies | \$800 00 |
| Stone roads | 3,000 00 |
| Public Library | 500 00 |
| Grand Army of the Republic, Post 87 | 150 00 |
| Interest on the town debt | 2,000 00 |
| Town officers | 2,200 00 |
| Repairs on highways | 3,400 00 |

Four hundred dollars of this amount shall be expended in paving the gutters on Hollis and Monatiquot avenues.

Article 6 laid on the table.

Article 23 taken up.

Voted, That the town accept the new road from the end of Pearl street, near the Old Colony railroad station, to a point near the junction of Liberty and Middle streets, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Voted, That the sum of \$4,000 be raised and appropriated to build said road.

Article 15 taken up.

The surveyors of highways made a verbal report of the condition of Quincy avenue, and it was voted that the sum of \$1,500 be appropriated to repair Quincy avenue.

Article 16 taken up.

Voted, That the sum of \$200 be raised and appropriated to finish Walnut avenue.

Article 14 taken up.

Voted, That the matter of building a drain to carry the water off Central avenue be referred to the Selectmen, with instructions to build such a drain as shall carry off the water.

Voted, That when this meeting adjourns, it be adjourned to Monday, April 25 instant, at 7 hours, 45 minutes P. M.

Article 25 taken up.

Voted, That the consideration of this article be referred to the adjourned meeting.

Article 18 taken up.

Voted, That the sum of \$200 be raised and appropriated to finish Prospect street.

Article 10 taken up.

Voted, To raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 to deliver books from the Public Library to the people of the east part of the town, under the direction of the trustees of said library.

Voted to adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk*.

BRAINTREE, April 25, 1887.

Pursuant to adjournment from April 4th inst., the meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

Article 25 taken from the table.

Moved that the following amendment to article 11 of the By-laws be adopted, viz.:

"The Board of Trustees of the Thayer Public Library shall consist of six persons, who shall be citizens of the town, and shall be elected by ballot at the annual town meeting immediately upon the adoption of this amendment: two of these trustees shall be elected to serve until the expiration of three years, two until the expiration of two years, and two until the expiration of one year from the annual town meeting at which they are elected, and thereafter two such trustees shall be chosen annually to serve for three years. Vacancies occurring from any cause shall be filled at the next annual town meeting."

Voted, That the above motion be indefinitely postponed.

Moved that the following amendment to Article 11 of the By-laws be adopted, viz.:

"Or so that the town shall elect two trustees biennially, and the trustees of Thayer Academy three for life."

Voted, That the above motion be indefinitely postponed.

Voted, To proceed to the choice of two trustees of the Thayer Public Library.

Moderator appointed Ansel O. Clark to check the list, and he was sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot having been taken, the Moderator declared the result as follows, namely: Nathaniel H. Hunt had 87 votes; N. F. T. Hayden had 83 votes; scattering, 3 votes. And the Moderator declared Nathaniel H. Hunt and N. F. T. Hayden elected Trustees of the Thayer Public Library for two years.

Article 22 was taken up.

Voted, To discontinue that part of Plain street commencing near the property of Michael Brandley and running to a point near the house of N. H. Hunt, authority being given to the Selectmen to perform such acts as may be required by law for the purpose: as far as it can legally be done.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, That the sum of \$190 be raised and appropriated for the Thayer Public Library, in addition to the sum already raised and appropriated.

Voted, That the sum of \$1,500 be raised for the repairing of Quincy avenue, it being the same that was appropriated April 4, 1887.

Article 6 laid on the table.

Voted, That article 9 be indefinitely postponed.

Article 17 taken up.

Voted, That the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for the completion of Sterling street.

Article 27 taken up.

Voted, To widen and straighten Commercial street, as ordered by the County Commissioners, and that the sum of \$5,500 be raised and appropriated to pay the expense of the same.

Article 21 being in order, it was voted not to take it up.

Article 19 taken from the table.

The Selectmen made a verbal report on the claim of E. Bannon, and it was voted to refer the subject to a committee of three, to be appointed by the chair, who shall examine the case and report the result of their deliberations at some future meeting.

Moderator appointed for said committee, Charles C. Mellen, E. Alden Belcher and Andrew J. Bates.

Article 20 taken up.

Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to change the drain so as to prevent the flow of water through the culvert under Washington street, upon the premises of the Misses Pratt, on the corner of Holbrook avenue, and draw the expense thereof from the treasury of the town.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, That all taxes assessed the current year, shall be payable on or before the first day of December, 1887; and on all

taxes not paid on or before the said first day of December, interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum shall be charged and collected from the said first day of December, until the tax is paid; and that the Collector is required, immediately after the first day of January, 1888, to exert all the power vested in him by law for the collection of all unpaid taxes.

Article 6 laid on the table.

Article 24 taken up.

Voted, To amend the By-laws by the addition of the following article, namely: "The Town Clerk shall, at the end of each fiscal year, transmit to the Selectmen an attested copy of the record of all town meetings held during the year, which record shall be printed with the annual report of town officers."

Article 26 taken up.

Voted, That the sum of \$200 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of painting the almshouse.

Article 6 taken from the table.

Voted, That the sum of \$43,475 be raised in the aggregate, for the expenses of the town during the current fiscal year.

Voted, That the Surveyors are hereby instructed to pay not less than \$1.75 per day for labor performed on the highways.

Voted, That the Surveyors of Highways be instructed to employ no person on the highways except a citizen of the town, or one who shall give notice of his intention to become a citizen.

Voted, To dissolve this meeting.

SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk*.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Thursday, the tenth day of March, 1887, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will rescind its vote, passed

January 12th, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (1887), to purchase the franchise, corporate property, and all the rights and privileges of the Braintree Water Supply Company, according to the provisions of Section ten (10), of Chapter two hundred and sixty-nine (269), of the acts and resolves of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six (1886).

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to proceed forthwith, under the provisions of Chapter two hundred and seventeen of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five of the Commonwealth, entitled, "An Act to supply the towns of Braintree, Randolph and Holbrook with water."

ART. 4. To elect a board of water commissioners in accordance with the provisions of said act.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize and instruct its treasurer to issue, from time to time, bonds, notes, or scrip of the town to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars, subject to the approval of the Water Commissioners, pursuant to the provisions of said act of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, whether standing alone or as modified by any of the provisions of said act of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to take the waters of Great Pond by a separate conduit, as provided in Section 17 of Chapter 269 of the acts and resolves of the year 1886.

You are to give notice of the meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by publishing the same at least once in the Braintree Observer before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| J. MURRAY KNIGHT, | } <i>Selectmen</i> of <i>Braintree.</i> |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| HENRY A. MONK, | |

NORFOLK, SS.

MARCH 1, 1887.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein named by posting up attested copies of this warrant in nine or more public places in said town seven days before said meeting, and publishing in the Braintree Observer once before the time of said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 10, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

J. M. Knight was appointed and sworn by the Town Clerk to check the list for the choice of Moderator.

Upon ballot, Edward Avery was elected Moderator, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That article 3 be taken up.

Voted, That it is expedient for the town to proceed forthwith under the provisions of Chapter two hundred and seventeen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five of the Commonwealth entitled an act to supply the towns of Braintree, Randolph, and Holbrook with water.

Voted, That article 5 be taken up.

Voted, That we proceed to ballot, Yes, or No, by the use of the check list, on the fifth article of the warrant, viz: To see if the town will vote to authorize and instruct its Treasurer to issue from time to time, bonds, notes, or scrip of the town, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars, subject to the approval of the Water Commissioners, pursuant to the provisions of said act of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, whether standing alone or as modified by any of the provisions of said act of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six.

Ansel O. Clark and J. Murray Knight were appointed by the

Moderator to check the list, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

George D. Willis, Asa P. French, and Alverdo Mason were appointed by the Moderator to assort and count the votes, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot having been taken, the Moderator announced the result as follows, namely :

Whole number of ballots, 418. Yes, 286. No, 132. Necessary for its adoption, 279. The necessary two-thirds having voted Yes, it was declared a vote to adopt it.

Voted, To proceed to the consideration of article 2.

Voted, That we proceed to ballot, Yes or No, by the use of the check list on the second article of the warrant, viz: To see if the town will rescind its vote passed January 12, 1887, to purchase the franchise, corporate property, and all the rights and privileges of the Braintree Water Supply Co., according to the provisions of Section ten (10) of Chapter two hundred and sixty-nine (269) of the acts and resolves of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six (1886).

The ballot having been taken, the Moderator announced the result of the ballot as follows, namely :

Whole number of ballots, 339. Yes, 271. No, 68. Necessary to rescind, 226. The necessary two-thirds having voted Yes, it was declared a vote to rescind.

Voted, That when we adjourn, it be to the twenty-third day of March, 1887, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M.

Voted, That the remaining articles be referred to the adjourned meeting for action thereon.

Voted to adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, March 23, 1887.

Met according to adjournment.

Moderator called the meeting to order.

Voted, To take up article 4.

Voted, To proceed to ballot for three Water Commissioners;

one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, all to be voted for on one ballot.

George D. Willis declined to serve as one of the tellers, to assort and count the votes, and Daniel Potter was appointed to fill the vacancy; and he was sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot having been taken by the use of the cheek list, the Moderator announced the result as follows, namely :

For Water Commissioner for three years, James T. Stevens had 187 votes; Asa French had 237 votes, and Asa French was declared elected.

For Water Commissioner for two years: Scattering, 13; Horace Abercrombie, 59; Albion C. Drinkwater, 326, and Albion C. Drinkwater was declared elected.

For Water Commissioner for one year: Scattering, 3; Henry A. Johnson, 200; Cranmore N. Wallace, 217, and Cranmore N. Wallace was declared elected.

Voted, To adjourn *sine die*.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

AMENDED RETURN OF WARRANT.

NORFOLK, ss.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

I, Horace Faxon, of Braintree, County and Commonwealth aforesaid, on oath depose and say, that as a duly elected Constable of the said town of Braintree, I notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, herein described, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant, at nine or more public places in the town of Braintree, and publishing the same in the Braintree Observer, at least once before said meeting, which was held on the tenth day of March, 1887, and that this is an amended return of said warrant.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

NORFOLK, ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th day of April, A. D., 1887.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Justice of the Peace.

Recorded on the eighteenth day of A. D., 1887.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest :

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the town of Braintree Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in Braintree, on the sixth day of April, 1887, at eight o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To vote Yes or No, by ballots, with the use of the check list, on the following proposition, namely : Will the town vote to rescind, annul, and declare void, any and all votes passed by the town, as recorded upon the books of the Town Clerk, during the years 1886 or 1887, whereby the town assumed or in any way incurred any liability of whatever nature, relative to a water supply ; any and all votes making appropriations for that purpose ; discharge any committee having the water matter under consideration, and instruct the Selectmen to enter such negotiation as may be necessary to secure an amicable settlement of all legal proceeding now pending, without litigation and without cost or expense to the town ; conferring upon the Selectmen full power and authority to act for the town in the premises.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant, in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-eighth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| ANSEL O. CLARK, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. M. KNIGHT, | |
| J. F. BATES, | |
| | } <i>of</i> |
| | } <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, SS.

BRAINTREE, March 29, 1887.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified as therein expressed, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting attested copies of this warrant in nine public places in said town, seven days before said meeting, and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer once before said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, April 6, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Ansel O. Clark and J. Murray Knight were appointed to check the list, and were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Charles A. Pitkin, Abijah Allen and Elisha Thayer were appointed to assort and count the votes, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

After the ballot for the choice of moderator, it was found that H. A. Monk had 164 votes and Edward Avery had 309 votes; and Edward Avery was declared elected to preside over this meeting, and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Moved, that the town proceed to vote Yes or No, by ballots, with the use of the check list, on the propositions contained in the second article of the warrant.

Moved, that the above motion be indefinitely postponed.

The ballot having been taken on the indefinite postponement, the check list having been used, and the vote having been by Yes or No, the Moderator declared the result of the ballot as follows, namely:

Whole number of votes, 447.

Yes, 328; no, 119; and the motion was indefinitely postponed.

Voted, To adjourn.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, June 21, 1887.

To Samuel A. Bates, Clerk of the Town of Braintree:

At a meeting of the Selectmen of the town of Braintree, held this day, Andrew J. Bates was appointed Treasurer of the town of Braintree (*pro tempore*, or until another is chosen,) to fill a vacancy in said office, caused by the resignation of David H. Bates.

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| ANSEL O. CLARK, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. M. KNIGHT, | |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| | } <i>of</i> |
| | } <i>Braintree.</i> |

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, June 21, 1887.

Personally appeared before me, the aforesaid Andrew J. Bates, and took his oath of office as Town Treasurer.

SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk.*

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree, Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in Braintree, on Tuesday, the second day of August, 1887, at eight o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen and Surveyors of Highways to suspend operations in the construction and re-building of the Commercial street bridge, so called, in East Braintree, and instruct said Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners for a rehearing with reference to the same.

ART. 3. To choose any committee or hear the report of any committee.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting,

and also by publishing in the Braintree Observer before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| ANSEL O. CLARK, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. MURRAY KNIGHT, | |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| | <i>of</i> |
| | <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, SS.

BRAINTREE, July 26, 1887.

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant, I have this day posted true and attested copies of the same in nine or more public places, and have caused the same to be published in the Braintree Observer, as the law directs.

EDWIN L. CURTIS,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, August 2, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Ansel O. Clark was appointed to check the list, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Upon ballot, by the use of the check list, Edward Avery was unanimously chosen moderator, and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. After considerable discussion, it was voted unanimously that Art. 2 be indefinitely postponed.

Voted, That this meeting be dissolved.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the town of Braintree Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in Braintree, on Saturday, November fifth, at seven and one-half o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To determine whether the town will vote to establish a sinking fund for the payment of its water bonds, or provide for the payment thereof in such annual proportionate payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed by Chap. 217 of the acts of the year 1885, as required by said act, or what other method the town will adopt to pay said bonds, and to determine the rate of interest to be paid thereon.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to adopt a common seal, and take any action that may be necessary in regard thereto.

You are to give notice of the meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by printing at least once in the Braintree Observer before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hand at Braintree, this twenty-seventh day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| ANSEL O. CLARK, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. MURRAY KNIGHT, | |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| | } <i>of</i> |
| | } <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, SS.

BRAINTREE, October 29, 1887.

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant, I have posted true and attested copies of the same in nine or more public places, and have caused the same to be published in the Braintree Observer, as the law directs.

EDWIN L. CURTIS, *Constable of Braintree.*

A TRUE COPY.

Attest: SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk.*

BRAINTREE, November 5, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Ansel O. Clark was appointed to check the list and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Upon ballot, with the use of the check list, Josephus Shaw was chosen moderator and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. *Voted*, That the bonds, heretofore authorized by the town for its water loan, be issued in denominations of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 each, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum, and running for such periods, respectively, not exceeding thirty years, as the Board of Water Commissioners shall determine.

Voted, That the town will, at its next annual meeting and at every annual meeting thereafter, so long as it shall be necessary, raise and appropriate such a sum for the establishment and maintenance of a sinking fund as, with its accumulations, shall be sufficient for the payment of said bonds at their maturity.

The above votes were passed without a dissenting vote.

ART. 3. *Voted*, That the following seal be adopted as the common seal of the town, namely:

"Town of Braintree, Massachusetts, incorporated 1640, with the state crest," as per copy attached to this page, and certified by the Town Clerk.

Voted, That Asa French be a committee to procure the seal as adopted by the last vote.

Voted, To adjourn this meeting, *sine die*.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

A TRUE COPY OF SEAL.

Adopted, November 5, 1887.



Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the town of Braintree, Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree, on Tuesday, the eighth day of November, 1887, at seven and one-half o'clock in the forenoon, to give in their votes to the Selectmen, for Governor of the Commonwealth; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary of the Commonwealth; Treasurer and Receiver General; Auditor of the Commonwealth; Attorney General; Councillor for District No. 2; Senator for the First Senatorial District of the County of Norfolk; one Representative to the General Court from District No. 6, of the County of Norfolk, and one County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk.

The names of the candidates for all of the above named officers must be borne on one ballot, to be presented open or unfolded, or enclosed in a sealed envelope, at the option of the voter.

The polls shall be kept open until one o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting true and attested copies of the same, in nine or more public places, within this town, and by printing once in the Braintree Observer, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| ANSEL O. CLARK, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. M. KNIGHT, | |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| | <i>of</i> |
| | <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, Oct. 25, 1887.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree herein described to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at nine or more public places in said town of Braintree seven days before said meeting, and by

publishing it in the Braintree Observer seven days before the time of said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest :

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, Nov. 8, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order by Ansel O. Clark, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, who presided at the meeting, and who also read the warrant.

The Town Clerk announced that the ballot box, provided for the town, was in good condition and ready for use.

he chairman declared the polls open at 7 hours, 35 minutes A. M.

Voted, That the polls be closed at five minutes past one o'clock P. M., and at that time they were accordingly declared closed.

The ballot box was opened nine times during the balloting, by the unanimous consent of the officers.

At the close of the polls the Town Clerk announced that the box had only registered 426 votes, but that the names checked were 743, that number having voted.

At the close of the counting of the ballots, the Town Clerk announced that 743 ballots were cast, that they were all cancelled, and that they were for the following persons, namely :

GOVERNOR.

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| Oliver Ames, of Easton, three hundred and ninety-two | 392 |
| Henry B. Lovering, of Lynn, three hundred and thirty-one | 331 |
| William H. Earle, of Worcester, eighteen | 18 |
| Blanks, two | 2 |
| Total | 743 |

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

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| John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington, four hundred and four- teen | 414 |
| Walter Cutting, of Pittsfield, three hundred and eight . | 308 |
| John Blackmer, of Springfield, nineteen | 19 |
| Blanks, two | 2 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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| Henry B. Peirce, of Abington, four hundred and nineteen | 419 |
| John F. Murphy, of Lowell, two hundred and ninety-eight | 298 |
| Amos E. Hall, of Chelsea, nineteen | 19 |
| Blanks, seven | 7 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL.

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| Alanson W. Beard, of Boston, four hundred and four . . | 404 |
| Henry C. Thacher, of Yarmouth, three hundred and five | 305 |
| Charles C. Thacher, of Yarmouth, fourteen | 14 |
| John L. Kilbon, of Lee, nineteen | 19 |
| Blank, one | 1 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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| Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield, four hundred and eighteen | 418 |
| William F. Cook, of Springfield, three hundred and five | 305 |
| Edmund M. Stowe, of Hudson, nineteen | 19 |
| Blank, one | 1 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

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| Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield, four hundred and nine- teen | 419 |
| John W. Corcoran, of Clinton, three hundred and two . | 302 |
| Allen Coffin, of Nantucket, nineteen | 19 |
| Blanks, three | 3 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

COUNCILLOR FOR DISTRICT No. 2.

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| Elijah A. Morse, of Canton, four hundred and six | 406 |
| William Aspinwall, of Brookline, three hundred and seven | 307 |
| Benjamin F. Sturtevant, of Boston, nineteen | 19 |
| Blanks, eleven | 11 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

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| George W. Wiggin, of Franklin, four hundred and one | 401 |
| Edmund Davis, of Hyde Park, three hundred and twenty-three | 323 |
| Robert C. Habberley, of Hyde Park, eighteen | 18 |
| Blank, one | 1 |
| Total | <hr/> 743 |

SENATOR FOR FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT.

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| James T. Stevens, of Braintree, five hundred and fifty-one | 551 |
| John W. Hart, of Weymouth, one hundred and seventy-six, | 176 |
| Merit P. Alderman, of Hyde Park, four | 4 |
| Blanks, twelve | 12 |
| Total, | <hr/> 743 |

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, DISTRICT No. 6.

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|--|-----------|
| Willard F. Gleason, of Holbrook, four hundred and twenty-two | 422 |
| W. F. Gleason, one | 1 |
| Albert E. Avery, of Braintree, three hundred and three | 303 |
| Edward J. Carroll, one | 1 |
| Blanks, sixteen | 16 |
| Total, | <hr/> 743 |

The returns were then signed and sealed, the ballots sealed up, according to law and delivered to the Town Clerk, the check list sealed and delivered to the Selectmen.

Voted, To dissolve this meeting.

SAMUEL A. BATES, *Town Clerk.*

BRAINTREE, Nov. 18, 1887.

The Town Clerks of Braintree and Holbrook met at the Town House in this town, and opened the returns for Representative to the General Court for District No. 6, Norfolk County, and found that

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| Willard F. Gleason of Holbrook, had seven hundred and eight | 708 |
| Albert E. Avery of Braintree, four hundred and forty-five | 445 |
| Edward J. Carroll, one | 1 |
| Blanks, sixteen | 16 |
| Total | 1,170 |

Willard F. Gleason of Holbrook was declared elected, and the necessary certificates were signed.

Voted, To adjourn sine die.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, Dec. 12, 1887.

I hereby certify that I have this day destroyed by fire the ballots cast on November 8, 1887, for the various officers without examination of the same or permitting others so to do.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the town of Braintree, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Tuesday, the 29th day of November, 1887, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sufficient sum of money to finish the widening of Commercial street.

ART. 3. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to build a drain on Franklin street leading to Little Pond, near the Butcher Boy engine house.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant, in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least, before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer, before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, with your doings thereon, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this twenty-first day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

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| ANSEL O. CLARK, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| J. MURRAY KNIGHT, | |
| J. FRANKLIN BATES, | |
| | <i>of</i> |
| | <i>Braintree.</i> |

NORFOLK, SS.

BRAINTREE, Nov. 22, 1887.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, herein described, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant, at nine public places in said town, seven days before the time set for said meeting, and I have likewise caused said warrant to be published in the Braintree Observer, once before said meeting.

HORACE FAXON,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest :

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, Nov. 29, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Upon ballot, by the use of the check-list, Francis A. Hobart was chosen moderator, but he declined accepting the position.

John V. Scollard was then chosen, but also declined.

Asa French was then chosen Moderator, and was sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Voted to appropriate the sum of two thousand, six hundred dollars (2600) to finish the widening of Commercial street.

ART. 3. Voted to refer the subject of a drain on Franklin street to a committee of three to report at some future meeting. Moderator appointed A. O. Clark, J. M. Knight and J. F. Bates said committee, and they were chosen.

Voted to adjourn sine die.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree, Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of December, 1887, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will instruct its treasurer to borrow, for a period not exceeding sixty days, such sums of money as the Board of Water Commissioners may require, in anticipation of the water bonds heretofore authorized by vote of the town and to be repaid out of the proceeds of the sale of said bonds.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this fifth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

J. MURRAY KNIGHT, } *Selectmen*
ANSEL O. CLARK, } *of*
J. FRANKLIN BATES, } *Braintree.*

NORFOLK, ss.

BRAINTREE, Dec. 6, 1887.

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant, I have this day posted true and attested copies of the same in nine or more public places and have caused the same to be published in the Braintree Observer, as the law directs.

EDWIN L. CURTIS, *Constable of Braintree.*

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, Dec. 13, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order, and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Ansel O. Clark and J. Murray Knight were appointed to check the list, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Upon ballot, Asa French was chosen Moderator and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Moved that the treasurer of the town be instructed to borrow, at the request of the Board of Water Commissioners, for a period not exceeding sixty days, such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of the issuance of the water bonds heretofore authorized by the town, said loan to be secured by pledge of said bonds, and to be repaid out of the proceeds of the sale of the same.

F. A. Hobart requested the Moderator to rule whether it required a majority, or a two-thirds vote to adopt the motion.

Moderator ruled that as the counsel of the town had given his opinion that it did not require a two-thirds vote to adopt this motion, but that a majority was sufficient, he should decide that a majority is sufficient to adopt the motion.

Francis A. Hobart then desired that his protest be entered on the records, of his dissent from the ruling of the chair; and the Moderator so ordered.

Moved that the motion be taken by the use of the check list, and by a ballot yes or no.

The Moderator appointed Ansel O. Clark and J. Murray Knight to count the uplifted hands, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The tellers reported that 199 had voted in favor of the motion, and 105 against, and the motion was carried.

Charles C. Mellen, Albert E. Avery, and N. F. T. Hayden were appointed a committee to assort and count the ballots, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Upon ballot, the check list being used, it was found that the whole number of votes were 351. Yeas, 144. Noes, 207. And the motion was declared lost.

Voted, To adjourn sine die.

SAMUEL A. BATES,

Town Clerk.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree, Greeting :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Braintree, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Braintree, on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of December, 1887, at 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will instruct its treasurer to borrow, for a period not exceeding sixty days, such sums of money as the Board of Water Commissioners may require, in anticipation of the issuance of the water bonds, heretofore authorized by vote of the town, and to be repaid out of the proceeds of the sale of said bonds.

You are to give notice of this meeting by posting true and attested copies of this warrant in not less than nine public places in this town, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, and by publishing once in the Braintree Observer before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this fourteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

ANSEL O. CLARK, } *Selectmen*
J. MURRAY KNIGHT, } *of*
J. FRANKLIN BATES, } *Braintree.*

NORFOLK, SS.

BRAINTREE, DEC. 14, 1887.

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant, I have posted true and attested copies of the same in nine or more public places, and have caused the same to be published in the Braintree Observer, as the law directs.

EDWIN L. CURTIS,
Constable of Braintree.

A TRUE COPY.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

BRAINTREE, December 21, 1887.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Ansel O. Clark and J. Murray Knight were appointed to check the list and sworn by the Town Clerk.

Elmer E. Abercrombie, Abijah Allen and William C. Daniels were appointed to assort and count the votes for moderator and were sworn by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. Upon ballot, with the use of the check list, it was found that the whole number of votes cast for moderator was 542.

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| Timothy W. Buckley had | 1 |
| Albert E. Avery | 242 |
| Asa French | 299 |

and Asa French was declared elected and sworn by the Town Clerk.

ART. 2. Moved, that the Treasurer of the town be instructed to borrow, with the approval of the Board of Water Commissioners, for a period not exceeding sixty days, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, in anticipation of the issuance of the water bonds heretofore authorized by the town; which sum shall be applied to the purposes for which said bonds were authorized, shall be secured by a pledge of said bonds, and shall be expressly made payable out of the proceeds of the sale of the same.

Moved, that the vote on the main question be taken at 10 o'clock P. M., and when it is taken, it be by ballot, yes, or no, with the use of the check list. After some discussion, the previous question was called for and the Moderator decided that the question before the meeting was, "Shall the main question be now put?"

Francis A. Hobart appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The Moderator appointed Ansel O. Clark and J. Murray Knight to count the uplifted hands, and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

They reported that the meeting sustained the Chair in his ruling by a decisive vote.

Moved, to adjourn, which motion was negatived.

The motion was then put, and it was voted that the motion on the main question be taken at 10 o'clock, and when it is taken, it be by ballot, yes or no, with the use of the check list.

Moved, that the motion be amended by adding the following: "But nothing in the authority hereby granted shall be construed to authorize the Treasurer to assume any liability other than in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 217 of the Acts of the Legislature of the year 1885, by a pledge of bonds actually issued, as security for the payment of any notes given, nor shall such notes involve any liability to the town additional to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars as authorized by any previous votes of the town for the establishment of water-works."

The Moderator ruled that the amendment was not in order.

Francis A. Hobart entered his protest against the ruling of the Chair.

N. F. T. Hayden, Elmer E. Abercrombie and George D. Willis were appointed a committee to assort and count the votes and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The main question was taken at 10 o'clock P. M., by ballot and the use of the check list, and the result was announced as follows, namely:

Whole number of ballots, 613.

Yes, 360; no, 253, and the Moderator declared the motion carried.

Francis A. Hobart gave notice of his intention of moving for a reconsideration of this vote at a meeting to be called at some future time.

Voted, To adjourn, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 10 minutes past eleven o'clock P. M.

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

All which is respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL A. BATES,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
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REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The School Committee of Braintree respectfully submit the following report for the year 1887-8 :

They have purposely refrained from discussing educational theories, as, in their opinion, it does not come within their proper province at this time. The Committee have, therefore, confined their report to a summary of the appropriations and expenditures of the past year ; appropriations desired for the maintenance of the schools for the ensuing year ; condition of the town property under their charge, and a brief statement of the more important measures which have received their attention during the year, and the benefits which they hope to secure from the same :

APPROPRIATIONS, 1887-1888.

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| Town appropriation for schools | \$8,400 00 |
| Town school funds | \$550 00 |
| State school fund | 197 74 |
| Dog tax | 664 49 |
| Incidentals for schools | 300 00 |
| Incidentals for schoolhouses | 400 00 |
| Text-books and supplies | 800 00 |
| Appropriation for salary of superintendent | 1,200 00 |
| Total | <u>\$12,512 23</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| For schools | \$9,024 66 |
| Incidentals for schools | 365 26 |
| Incidentals for schoolhouses | 422 65 |
| Text-books and supplies | 865 09 |
| Superintendent's salary | 1,200 00 |
| Total | <u>\$11,877 66</u> |

ESTIMATES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

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|---|------------|
| Schools | \$8,500 00 |
| (In addition to income from school funds and dog tax.) | |
| Text-books and supplies | 700 00 |
| Schoolhouse incidentals | 400 00 |
| School incidentals | 300 00 |
| Salary of superintendent | 1,200 00 |

Although, at the close of the year, there was a balance of \$787.57 left from the general appropriation for schools, it will be observed that there is a slight increase in the amount desired for the ensuing year.

The committee believe it to be for the welfare of the schools, that the services of desirable and competent teachers, familiar with modern systems and methods of instruction, should be secured and retained as long as possible.

As there is a constant and increasing demand for the services of such trained teachers, the Committee feel that this can only be done by increasing the salaries, paid by the town to its teachers, to an amount which shall more readily equal that paid elsewhere, and they have therefore increased their estimate of the appropriations required for the ensuing year, for this purpose.

A few facts and figures taken from the annual report of the State Board of Education, for the years 1885 and 1886, the last report available, relating to this subject are presented herewith for general information:

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| The average wages per month of male teachers, in the public schools in this state, is | \$111 23 |
| Average wages in Norfolk County, is | 102 56 |
| Average wages in Braintree, is | 76 00 |
| The average wages per month of female teachers in the public schools in the state, is | 43 97 |
| Average wages in Norfolk County, is | 43 04 |
| Average wages in Braintree, is | 32 00 |

The Committee, in view of the above facts, feel that they are fully justified in asking for this appropriation, and that it should be cheerfully and willingly granted.

BUILDINGS.

Necessary repairs have been made during the year on the various school buildings, and the Committee believe them to be in fair condition.

The present buildings are not supplied with modern appliances for heating and ventilation, and the Committee are of the opinion that not only would a considerable saving be effected in the cost of heating and repairs by a change in this respect, but that better work would be done with more favorable conditions.

While the Committee believe that the usual appropriations for the care of buildings will be sufficient for the ordinary repairs for the ensuing year, it should be kept in mind that the buildings are getting old and will require larger appropriations for their maintenance in the near future.

SCHOOLS.

The Committee believe that there has been a gradual improvement in most of the schools during the year and they hope and expect that this improvement will continue.

The wisdom and advantage of placing the schools under the immediate supervision of a superintendent, who can give them the benefit of his experience and devote his entire time to their welfare, is shown by the uniformity in the systems, standards and results in the several schools.

Owing to resignations and transferrals changes have occurred in the personnel of the teachers in some of the schools, but the Committee are pleased to say that they believe the discipline and welfare of the schools have not suffered materially on this account.

During the year the Board has lost the assistance of its oldest member, through the resignation of its secretary, Mr. Samuel A. Bates. The vacancy was filled by the election of Mr. E. A. Wilde.

ATTENDANCE.

The Committee recognize the difficulties of regular and punctual attendance at the schools, during the inclement season of the year, but they believe that a proper interest and pride in the matter on the part of parents and scholars, will do much to remedy the too frequent evils of absence and tardiness. It appears from the State Report already quoted that Braintree ranks 200 of the 348 towns in the State, in average attendance of enrolled pupils, while in Norfolk county there are 21 towns where the attendance is greater and only 4 where it is less. The Committee believe that the schools in Braintree are situated as conveniently as in most towns, and they know of no reason why the schools should not take a higher rank in this respect. Not only does the scholar suffer in consequence of the progress made by the class during his or her absence, but the unity and advancement of the whole school is disturbed. Regularity of attendance is a matter of the greatest importance and one in which the Committee desire the active co-operation and assistance of parents and guardians, as the most effective means of its accomplishment.

IN GENERAL.

Several new measures for the management of the schools have been adopted during the past year, from which it is hoped beneficial results will be obtained.

Pupils are now admitted to the lowest classes in the Primary schools at the commencement of each half year only, and no pupil is to be admitted under five years of age.

The advantage of this rule is already manifested in the undivided attention the teacher is enabled to give to the regular classes.

As promotions can only be made annually in the schools new pupils, sent at the commencement of the second term, must necessarily be placed in a class by themselves, and divert much of the teacher's time and attention which should be given to the regular classes. Again, at the close of the year these scholars who have attended school for only one term, are not sufficiently advanced, as a general rule, to continue with those who have attended school the full time, and they are consequently obliged

either to go over the work again, or be promoted before they are qualified to take the work with advantage.

In either case the Committee submit that an additional delay of six months in sending young children to school would be for the advantage of all—and they request parents to give this matter their careful consideration.

The Committee have also decided to hold written examinations, bi-monthly, in the higher classes of the graded schools, which are in the nature of a review of the studies pursued, and the results of these examinations, together with the average excellence of the daily work, will form a basis for promotions at the end of the year. In this way the Committee will be able to make promotions understandingly, on the merits of the scholars and think the wisdom of the method will be quickly shown in the improved standing of the schools.

The plan of sending to parents and guardians monthly reports of the work done by their children, to be signed by them and returned to the teacher, has also been adopted. By this means, those most directly interested, can inform themselves of the progress of their children and if it should prove unsatisfactory, "home influence" can be brought to bear, which it is believed will be of the greatest assistance to the teacher.

It is also hoped that these monthly reports will be the means of increasing the interest taken by parents in the schools, that they will become more familiar with the work of the teachers and of the many difficulties with which they have to contend.

There is a probability that the studies required by law to be taught in High Schools, may be revised and simplified during the coming year, by a commission appointed for the purpose.

The Committee hope that this may be done, as they feel that it is impossible to do full justice to all the studies as now prescribed, and that a thorough knowledge of a few is more to be desired than a vague knowledge of many subjects.

In all these matters pertaining to these schools, the Committee recognize their great responsibilities, and while anxious to raise the standard as much as possible, keep constantly in mind the importance of guarding the health of the children committed to their care from the dangers of overwork and excessive study.

For various recommendations and statistics, concerning the schools, reference is made to the report of the Superintendent appended hereto, and the Committee request that they be given careful consideration.

ALBERT E. AVERY,
ANNA M. BROOKS,
LAWRENCE H. H. JOHNSON,
WILLIE H. SHAW,
E. AUGUSTUS WILDE,
JOHN REED.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF BRAINTREE,

Mrs. Brooks and Gentlemen :

The report of the Superintendent of Schools, the third since the establishment of the office, is hereby respectfully submitted.

At the outset I wish to express to you my acknowledgments for your generous support and cordial sympathy in my work and efforts of the past year. I thank you for your hearty endorsement of my plan for the improvement of the schools and in turn recognize valuable suggestions and advice on your part.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

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| Population of the town, state census, 1885 | 4,040 |
| Number of children between five and fifteen years of age, May, 1887 | 693 |
| Total number enrolled in the schools during the year | 802 |
| Number under five years of age | 1 |
| Number over fifteen years of age | 66 |
| Average number belonging | 623.94 |
| Average daily attendance | 564.25 |
| Per cent. of attendance | 90.43 |

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE.

| SCHOOLS. | Whole number different pupils enrolled. | Average num- ber belong- ing. | Average attend- ance. | Per cent. of at- tendance. | Average attend- ance last year. | Per cent. of at- tendance last year. |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| High School..... | 80 | 73.46 | 71.93 | 97.91 | 75.25 | 98.1 |
| Union Grammar..... | 52 | 43.41 | 39.90 | 91.92 | 36.89 | 94.9 |
| “ Intermediate..... | 48 | 37.02 | 33.53 | 90.58 | 32.83 | 88.9 |
| “ 1st Primary..... | 39 | 33.08 | 28.37 | 85.78 | 30.96 | 87.4 |
| “ 2d Primary..... | 63 | 36.31 | 30.39 | 83.75 | 29.68 | 85.1 |
| Pond Grammar..... | 39 | 29.98 | 27.22 | 90.08 | 31.04 | 93.2 |
| “ Intermediate..... | 37 | 36.90 | 33.54 | 90.91 | 24.80 | 81.8 |
| “ 1st Primary..... | 35 | 33.75 | 30.36 | 89.97 | 24.47 | 86.3 |
| “ 2d Primary..... | 79 | 48.77 | 41.44 | 84.97 | 42.25 | 83.3 |
| Iron Works Grammar..... | 38 | 34.42 | 31.54 | 91.64 | 27.80 | 91.6 |
| “ Intermediate..... | 45 | 33.60 | 31.17 | 92.76 | 28.80 | 84.3 |
| “ Primary..... | 50 | 32.48 | 29.89 | 91.10 | 35.50 | 91.0 |
| East Grammar and Intermediate..... | 19 | 16.49 | 15.43 | 93.60 | 17.57 | 88.1 |
| “ Primary..... | 38 | 27.27 | 24.74 | 90.72 | 28.88 | 89.9 |
| Middle Street..... | 42 | 32.90 | 28.70 | 87.23 | 27.38 | 92.4 |
| South..... | 48 | 37.91 | 33.79 | 89.13 | 35.09 | 92.1 |
| Southwest..... | 19 | 11.60 | 10.20 | 87.98 | 12.50 | 91.5 |
| West..... | 21 | 15.86 | 13.28 | 83.76 | 12.86 | 82.9 |
| Southeast..... | 10 | 8.73 | 7.83 | 89.68 | 10.02 | 87.7 |
| 19 Schools..... | 802 | 623.94 | 564.25 | 90.43 | 564.57 | 89.71 |

REPORT OF BOOKS AND SLATES IN SCHOOLS,

FEBRUARY, 1888.

| SCHOOL. | REFERENCE BOOKS. | TEXT BOOKS. | SLATES. |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------|
| High, | 6 | *705 | |
| Union Grammar, | 3 | 400 | 40 |
| Union Intermediate, | 1 | 276 | 23 |
| Union First Primary, | 1 | 210 | 35 |
| Union Second Primary, | 1 | 132 | 39 |
| Pond Grammar, | 3 | 404 | 35 |
| Pond Intermediate, | 1 | 253 | 53 |
| Pond First Primary, | 1 | 154 | 35 |
| Pond Second Primary, | 1 | 44 | 53 |
| Iron Works Grammar, | 3 | 283 | 39 |
| Iron Works Intermediate, | 1 | 180 | 31 |
| Iron Works Primary, | 1 | 84 | 35 |
| East Grammar, | 3 | 227 | 33 |
| East Primary, | 1 | 121 | 26 |
| Middle Street, | 3 | 150 | 50 |
| South, | 3 | 219 | 35 |
| Southwest, | 1 | 133 | 17 |
| West, | 1 | 129 | 14 |
| †Southeast, | | | |
| On hand, | 1 | 548 | 55 |
| Total, | 36 | 4,652 | 613 |

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| Estimated value of reference books | \$95 00 |
| Estimated value of text-books | 1,875 00 |
| Estimated value of slates | 25 00 |
| Estimated value of maps, globes and other apparatus | 250 00 |

Total estimated value of books and apparatus . \$2,245 00

Estimated value of supplies on hand \$35 00

*Including Pamphlets.

†Closed in June on resignation of teacher, and pupils distributed to the South and Middle Street Schools. Stock removed to office of School Committee.

SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND DATE OF FIRST ENGAGEMENT.

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| High, | Charles E. Stetson, | Nov., 1872 |
| High, | Carrie M. Bassett, | April, 1885 |
| Union Grammar, | Herbert E. Walker, | Sept., 1886 |
| Union Intermediate, | Abbie A. Mills, | April, 1882 |
| Union First Primary, | Adelaide E. Perry, | Sept., 1887 |
| Union Second Primary, | Sarah L. Hadley, | April, 1885 |
| Pond Grammar, | Fred H. Saunders, | Sept., 1887 |
| Pond Intermediate, | Elizabeth M. Thompson, | May, 1862 |
| Pond First Primary, | Mary L. Burroughs, | Sept., 1887 |
| Pond Second Primary, | Sarah L. Arnold, | Oct., 1884 |
| Iron Works Grammar, | John S. Manter, | Oct., 1886 |
| Iron Works Intermediate, | Mabel L. Bates, | Sept., 1886 |
| Iron Works Primary, | Avis A. Thayer, | Sept., 1877 |
| East Grammar, | Victoria P. Wilde, | Nov., 1861 |
| East Primary, | Susie W. Snow, | Sept., 1887 |
| Middle Street, | Mary L. Crowe, | Nov., 1882 |
| South, | Margaret E. C. Bannon, | Sept., 1874 |
| Southwest, | Isaline R. Hayden, | Sept., 1886 |
| West, | Lucy W. Gibbs, | Sept., 1887 |

ATTENDANCE.

It will be seen, by a reference to the above tables, that the attendance the past year has been increased over that of the year previous, which was also a gain upon the attendance of the preceding year. It is a satisfaction to be able to chronicle these advances in a very important particular. Yet the attendance is still too far away from what it should be. Since the efficiency of schools depends in no small measure upon regular attendance, it has been a special aim of the Superintendent to secure this. To this end I have urged the teachers to use their best efforts and have frequently attended personally to cases of repeated or prolonged absence. The truant officers are energetic and have lent valuable aid towards securing regularity of attendance. The introduction of prize banners to be contended for has had a good effect by arousing a generous rivalry for the honor of possession.

One or two cases of excellent attendance are worthy of mention. For the month of November the Southwest school attained a per cent. of 99.5; the highest record for any one month of any of the schools, so far as my knowledge extends. In the attendance for the year the High School, as usual, leads off, the East Grammar ranking next, the Iron Works Intermediate coming third on the list. A total average of 93 per cent. can and ought to be attained. The punctual and regular attendance of all pupils in health it is law and justice to require. State statutes make certain demands and School Committee and Superintendent require a definite amount of work. How can these be met with a partial and irregular attendance? Frequently it seems to be forgotten, or wholly disregarded, that the teacher has an indisputable right to the regular attendance of all pupils not in ill-health. It has several times occurred in the past year that pupils have failed to maintain their position in their classes because of irregular attendance. When such pupils are set back into a lower grade, or fail of promotion to a higher, is there any just ground of complaint on the part of parent or pupil?

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

With one exception the schoolrooms of the town are equal to the demands made upon them. The Union Intermediate room is too small to afford necessary seating capacity and sufficient space for handling the classes in general class-work. This school is as large as the Grammar school, but occupies a room nearly one-half smaller. I recommend that the folding doors now separating the two rooms be removed and a partition be built so as to give, at least, four feet more in the Intermediate room. This space can be spared from the Grammar room and the partition will do away with the annoyance and interruption which the work and recitation of the one room occasion in the other.

I would repeat the recommendation made in the report of last year relative to the consolidation of the East and Iron Works Schools, and their better accommodation in a new building located so as to be convenient to both districts. The arguments in favor of such change it is not necessary here to rehearse.

SCHOOL EQUIPMENT.

The schools have been quite generously supplied with teaching apparatus and appliances the past year. Maps, charts and globes, different text-books on the same subject for the teachers' desks and books of reference have been added to the teaching stock, so that in this respect Braintree is not behind the majority of towns of its size. I think that expenses in this line for the coming year may be considerably less than for the past year. Some addition and renewals will, of course, be needed, but the largest outlay has been met when the first fairly complete equipment has been made. This condition of things is a source of much satisfaction and encouragement. Modern methods of teaching depend so much upon illustration that a stock of apparatus and appliances is a prime requisite. With text-books, slates, etc., the schools are fully supplied.

TEACHERS.

The number of teachers now employed is nineteen. Of the teachers in the grades below the High School nearly one-half have had Normal training, some being graduates of Normal schools. A large part of them had had experience before engagement here. The longest period of service of any one teacher is twenty-six years; the shortest, five months. As a body they are earnest, conscientious workers, appreciating well the responsibilities of their positions and striving faithfully to meet them. The personnel of the corps was changed at the beginning of the school year by the engagement of five new teachers to replace those resigned to obtain "wider fields," *i. e.*, larger salaries. The new teachers have taken hold of the work with an earnestness and intelligence that promise good results. The interruption to the progress of the work consequent upon the getting acquainted with the new conditions and requirements, and the adjusting of teachers and pupils to new relations is a misfortune, but one that will continue so long as the schools of Braintree are made to serve as teachers' training ground for other towns.

GRADING AND CLASSIFICATION.

No changes have been made in the grading (number of classes in a room) during the past year. In the mixed schools the num-

ber of grades is about the same as last year. Under the present organization the grading is not the most conducive to efficiency, as it does not permit that division of labor which favors fullness and perfection of work. The frequent change from class to class, from subject to subject in the same room, prevents that full presentation and illustration of a subject which receives definite lodgment in the mind of the pupil, while the break of one line of thought to another interferes with mental concentration which is one of the most valuable objects of school discipline. The classification is considerably better than that of last year. There is a greater degree of evenness in the acquirements of the pupils composing the classes. A close classification is of great importance, for the value of the graded system depends upon that. The system of examinations and teachers' reports began last year is a valuable aid in the difficult work of maintaining thorough classification.

WORK.

The work of the year, while not wholly fulfilling expectation, is, on the whole, of good quality and has many features of encouragement. Much has been gained in system and method and by the elimination of non-essentials. The omission from the work in arithmetic of certain less practical subjects is an appreciable improvement. Thereby more time and strength have been placed upon essential points, fewer subjects admitting of better teaching.

To give greater system and uniformity to the work I have outlined the ground to be covered in each study by each grade for equal periods of the year. These schedules the teachers have as a guide and reference. The objection of indefiniteness to the general course of study is thus obviated. The teachers know definitely what is required and the time has been apportioned more justly to the importance of subjects.

To require the mixed schools to do the same amount of work in each grade as the graded schools is, of course, unreasonable but it is expected that they keep up as closely as possible. The highest grade should maintain even standing with the corresponding grade in the graded schools. I am glad to state that

the four mixed schools are doing well and for the most part keeping up to the level of the graded schools.

Reading has received more attention throughout the grades, with perceptible improvement. This is the most important of all our school subjects. Intelligent reading is the basis of all school work. Unless a pupil can read understandingly his advance in any and all his studies will be weak and uncertain. If he be unable to grasp the *thought* embodied in the words of his Reading, History, Geography or other lesson, the page is meaningless and unprofitable to him. To stimulate to better reading and to arouse and maintain a larger interest in this subject the supply of reading is a great help. I shall soon have ready for use graded lists of books in the Public Library to guide in the selection of reading. The reading habit combined with the taste for *good* reading is a most important factor in education. In the cognate branch, *Language*, there has been marked progress. The great scope of this subject and the wide diversity of methods and means in teaching it make it a difficult subject to deal with. To lighten the burden of the selection of matter and to emphasize the essentials in this part of the work, I have placed upon the teachers' desks several approved books on language together with outlines of hints and helps. The necessary language work of each grade is mapped out in these outlines. There is yet considerable unevenness both in the quality and amount of this class of work, a defect which the scheme will do much towards remedying.

For results in this work of the schools it is but just to demand that graduates of the eighth grade should be able to write several pages of good and correct English of their own, to make drafts, bills, and the common business forms, to write abstracts of what they hear and read and, in short, to use correctly the simple English of every day life in speech and writing.

In *Arithmetic* the work of the upper grades has advanced but little beyond that of last year. But there has been a gain in uniformity. In the Primary grades the tendency is to hasten forward to written work without sufficient regard to the more important oral drill. The new book of numbers put into these grades is admirably adapted to secure mental activity as well as to offer excellent practice in oral language. A book for the same kind

of drill in the upper grades would be a valuable adjunct to the Written Arithmetic. The objective teaching of Arithmetic should be carried on farther. The ordinary Primary teaching material such as blocks, splints, beads, etc., is a great aid to the first conception of number, but the work should be extended to instruction in the more common weights and measures. The equipment for this kind of teaching is not large, some additions have been lately made.

Penmanship needs much attention to bring it up to a satisfactory excellence. The beginning to write with pen and ink in the fourth year is, I am satisfied, a movement in the right direction, but much drill on forms is necessary throughout the grades. If we can train the children to appreciate correct forms and to make them with fair accuracy and facility before they leave the fourth grade, we have laid the foundation of good penmanship. Care and watchfulness thereafter will produce satisfactory results.

Geography and History. The work in these branches has been a steady advance, although here and there are weak places. Map drawing as an aid in both studies has been emphasized and brought out more fully. The subject has been taken up in the teachers' meetings with discussions of aims and methods. A definite scheme of requirements in this feature of the school-work has been made out for the teachers. In the Primary grades much pains have been taken in geography to lay a good foundation of clear and correct ideas by observation and illustration before any book-work was attempted. To start from things near at hand and to proceed from local illustration of the prime facts to a general conception of the subject, from what is known and familiar to what is unknown and to be taken upon authority, has been the method. The larger part of the past term has been given to oral work, the books being used only occasionally for reading. Outlines of geography and history, made by practical school-room workers, have been supplied to the teachers to aid in the selection of matter and methods.

Spelling. What shall be done to make our pupils good spellers? Can we gain satisfactory degree of excellence in this respect until English orthography is revised? With such absurd discrepancies between the spoken word and its written representa-

tion, as presented in the spelling of a large proportion of the words of our language, is it reasonable to expect generally correct spelling? I am led to raise these questions from a survey of results in other schools as well as in our own. That better results may be obtained by more frequent drills in both oral and written spelling is certainly true, but the fact remains that results are not proportionate to the time and labor spent.

Music. The progress in music is, of course, slow, both on account of the small amount of time that can be given it and the difficulties teachers find in teaching a subject for which they have had little preparation. The charts put into the schools in the fall are doing good service in making the work easier and more systematic, as well as in stimulating a livelier interest in the subject. The work done is pleasing and encouraging as laying the foundation for larger advance the year coming. The progress of the Middle Street school is deserving of special mention. The school has completed the First Chart and is quite proficient in part singing. Success in teaching music depends upon the teacher's ability to present the subject and her power to arouse enthusiasm in it. Perfunctory teaching of this subject, as well as of all others, fails to produce the best results. Invested with life and cheerfulness the teaching of music is more a pleasure than a task. I earnestly hope that in the near future the town will so well appreciate the value of music in the schools as to appropriate a few hundred dollars for the services of a special teacher. Three hundred dollars per annum would secure the services of a trained teacher for one day of each week. Under such direction music might soon become a leading element in the schools. It is only by training the children in the principles and practice of this delightful art that any considerable musical quality can be maintained in the town.

Physiology and Hygiene receive attention in all the schools, the temperance side of the subject being presented in a common sense way. The work is done orally in the Primaries, with textbook in the Intermediate, Grammar and High schools. That the children have a knowledge of the nature, functions and hygiene of their own bodies is of quite as much importance as that they should be ready in Arithmetical calculation, or well trained in the correct use of their own language. The teaching of temper-

ance is emphasized by instruction in "the effects of stimulants and narcotics," and that wider temperance and self control which should embrace the thoughts, words and deeds of life are not overlooked.

Drawing. It has been found impractical to accomplish well all the work in drawing laid down in the course. I have therefore instructed the teachers that they would not be expected to do all the work called for by the schedule. As an aid to illustrating and understanding other branches its position is not disregarded. In this view of the subject, a fairly satisfactory progress is to be noted, as may be seen in the improvement in map drawing.

Examinations. The regular tests held upon the completion of the work laid out for each period of eight weeks, are valuable means to secure thoroughness and discipline, as well as to keep up the standing and classification. It is understood that the result of the examinations does not *alone* decide the question of promotion or of the pupil's position in his class. The quality of the *daily work*, faithfulness, punctuality, etc., hold the preponderance in the scale. To test the quality of the teacher's work, the pupil's grasp of the subjects he is studying, to show up faults and weaknesses and excellencies as well, to stimulate the careless and unfaithful, are some of the advantages of the system. There are disadvantages to be urged, such as the strain upon nervous pupils, the fact that some cannot show themselves so well in written as in oral expression, and the temptation to dishonesty. Put these beside the advantages and it is apparent that the latter outweigh the former considerably.

Certainly the practice among the best schools is in favor of the written examinations when not too much weight is attached to them. A very vital point in the efficiency of any system of schools is close classification, and this is attained mainly by judicious promotions based upon careful estimates. These facts should be borne in mind by those disposed to complain of the pruning of classes. The greatest good to the largest number is the principle on which schools should be conducted, as in all other public institutions.

Teachers' Meetings. At intervals during the year the teachers have met for discussions of school work and management, and

for directions and suggestions regarding details. The response to appointments has been very generally cordial, and a cheerful compliance with requirements is manifested by all the teachers. A new feature in these meetings has been the introduction of illustrative teaching exercises. So far, pupils from the East and Iron Works Grammar, Union Intermediate and Middle Street schools, under direction of their respective teachers, have given exercises in various subjects. This practice aids to uniformity of work and is helpful in comparing methods. Occasionally some experienced educator has addressed the teachers upon some department, Mr. John T. Prince, agent of the State Board of Education, being among the number.

In a summary of the work of the year I may state that there is much ground for satisfaction and encouragement. The most salient point is the more nearly uniform standing of corresponding grades in different schools. In the last examinations the same papers were given, with but little change, to all like grades. By the end of the school year I think the differences in like grades will be much less apparent.

WORK OF SUPERINTENDENT.

It will not be out of place in this report to give a brief sketch of my work as your representative. The main business of the Superintendent is to study the schools, their condition and needs, to inspect and examine the work, to discover and correct errors of teaching and weak points, to plan and devise, to suggest and help. It has been my practice to visit each school once a fortnight, generally spending a session in each and following a plan of work arranged beforehand. In the upper grades I have taken one or, perhaps, two subjects and examined the schools in these. At the next visit another subject is taken, and so on until all the school subjects have been gone through. In this way I am enabled to judge more correctly of the work and progress of each school, and to advise and direct more intelligently.

It is my intention to look in upon the Primary schools once a week, besides the regular visit. In these visits I interfere as little as possible with the regular order of work. I take the class with which I wish to work, and the teacher proceeds with

the usual program, as nearly as possible. After these exercises I advise with the teacher upon deficiencies and points for improvement, noting also excellencies.

Thus every class of pupils in the schools comes under my special attention several times in the course of the year. By this method I come into contact with all the pupils, can better adjust conditions for their advance, and stimulate by the feeling of my personal interest in them. After every vacation I make brief calls at each school to see that everything is in business order.

The setting of the papers for the examinations is done in part by the Superintendent, in part by the teachers. Records of these exercises are made by the Superintendent, and preserved in tabulated form for reference. The purchase of all school supplies, the stamping or labelling all books as town property, the covering and delivery of these to the various schools and, not infrequently, the repairing of this class of the town's property, are the work of the Superintendent. During the past year the delivery of *all* supplies, whether regular or special, has been made by the Superintendent without expense to the town. The system of sets of reading necessitates frequent changing from school to school, one kind being replaced by another as fast as read. The looking after buildings, having small repairs and changes made, the keeping accounts of school expenses, reports of attendance, truancy, etc., the making outlines and schemes of work, the examination of books for use in the schools and many other minor duties make their demands upon the Superintendent's time.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The completion of the public school system, and the one in which centres the widest interest, is the High School. This is justly so, and I think any intelligent community will discover few persons who call in question the benefit of such a school. Diversity of opinion regarding methods, standards and subjects taught will, of course, exist. A good High School in a community does more for intelligence, self-restraint and the virtues of good citizenship than any other public institution.

Braintree has a good High School, the work and spirit of which are alike commendable. The condition at the present time is the most satisfactory since my connection with it. I will not speak of it in detail, mentioning in passing, that Literature, placed in the course but recently, is now established systematically. The class admitted to this school in September is doing excellent work, its average standing being the highest of any in town.

It is to be noted that the worth of a High School depends very considerably upon the efficiency of the lower schools. It is impossible to have a thoroughly good High School without good Primary and Grammar schools. Every improvement in the quality of these schools tells in the High School; every appliance, every teaching power supplied to the lower grades, is so much more strength for the High School.

It is an old educational truism that "good teachers make good schools," and every day's experience demonstrates its truth. If good teachers are the first requisite of good schools, it follows that to *get* good teachers and *keep* them is the policy that plain business principles would dictate. This matter leads naturally to the subject of

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

It is matter of fact that these are below the average, in the lower grades, at least. There is no other town in the county, and but two or three in the state, of like size and property valuation, that pay so low wages to teachers of the lower grades. A minimum of \$6 per week and maximum of \$8 is certainly far from attractive to teachers well prepared and of any experience. Board costs \$4 per week, to non-resident teachers, leaving \$4 per week for clothing, travelling expenses, books, papers, etc. The teacher who has served faithfully and satisfactorily for several or many years receives for her labor the same wages that the inexperienced teacher does for her work. In all other kinds of business skill and experience are recognized by higher wages. Why not in teaching? Is it possible to bring up the schools to a gratifying degree of excellence and maintain them there when these important factors are practically ignored? Again, from an economical point of view, Braintree cannot afford

to be a teachers' training ground for other towns, and annually subject its schools to experiments. The chief interest of any community is in its public schools; is it wise to pursue in them a policy which would be rejected by any practical business concern? A small increase in the annual appropriations would permit the arrangement of salaries so as to insure stability and greater efficiency in the schools.

SCHOOL VISITING.

Among "the good old times" customs that have been allowed to pass away, have gone some that it were better to have kept. The old fashion of visiting schools is one of them. A glance at the school registers will show but few visitors during the term time other than the Committee and Superintendent. This certainly ought not to be so. An occasional visit by parent or guardian, or friend is encouraging to teacher and pupil, and helps the visitor towards a just and intelligent conception of the work and standing of the school. It seems that only by making some kind of a show can those, who should be most interested in the schools, be attracted to them. No reliable knowledge of the quality and working of a school can be gained from such occasions. It is the every day life and character that make for righteousness and not the Sunday attire or appearance. The work-day appearance and quality give data that may be relied upon for correct judgment as to the worth or worthlessness of a school. It is not expected that anything said here or elsewhere will revive the old custom of school visiting, but it is hoped that what has been stated will do something towards preventing improper criteria for school criticism.

The schools are, of course, still a good way from the excellence and standing which all true friends of these great interests are anxious they should reach. But it is to be remembered that systematic and efficient schools are the product of years of care, labor and thought. Generously supported I see no reason why the schools of Braintree may not take rank among the best in the county.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. HUNT.

Braintree, February, 1888.

BRAINTREE
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION EXERCISES,

FRIDAY, JULY 1, 1887.

Motto: "To-Day."

PROGRAMME.

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| DECLAMATION. The Men that Make a State. | HENRY W. DOANE |
| READING. The First Te Deum. | JUDITH E. DYER |
| ESSAY. Angling. | JESSIE MACGREGOR |
| DIALOGUE. Awfully Lovely Philosophy. | C. MAUDE FOSTER |
| | MABEL A. DAVID |
| SINGING. | |
| READING. A Chinese Legend. | ANNA G. WITHERELL |
| DECLAMATION. Irish Rights. | JOHN H. SULLIVAN |
| READING. English as she is taught. | GRACE E. CALL |
| DIALOGUE. The Gridiron. | WALTER S. PIERCE, SAMUEL N. BELCHER |
| | EUGENE F. BOWLES |
| SINGING. | |
| DECLAMATION. The Frigate Bird. | FRED R. CARMICHAEL |
| READING. The King's Bell. | SUSIE E. PORTER |
| ESSAY. An Evening with Goldsmith. | MARY B. HOBART |
| DECLAMATION. Mrs. O'Shea goes to see Hamlet. | ALFRED L. SIMMONS |
| SINGING. | |
| ESSAY. Class Prophecy. | S. EMMA KEITH |
| DECLAMATION. Dedication of the Bartholdi Statue. | G. FRED CAVANAGH |
| ESSAY. To-Day. | MARION S. ARNOLD |
| SINGING. National Hymn. | |

Presentation of Diplomas.

Names of Members of the Graduating Class.

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| MARION S. ARNOLD, | SUSIE E. PORTER, |
| GRACE E. CALL, | SAMUEL N. BELCHER, |
| MABEL A. DAVID, | EUGENE F. BOWLES, |
| JUDITH E. DYER, | FRED R. CARMICHAEL, |
| ANNIE L. FINNEGAN, | G. FRED CAVANAGH, |
| C. MAUDE FOSTER, | WILLIAM H. CRONIN, |
| BESSIE G. GATES, | HENRY W. DOANE, |
| F. ANTOINETTE HENRY, | ARTHUR L. HALE, |
| MARY B. HOBART, | WALTER S. PIERCE, |
| S. EMMA KEITH, | ALBERT L. SIMMONS, |
| JESSIE MACGREGOR, | HERBERT W. WOODWORTH, |
| SUSAN F. POOLE, | JOHN H. SULLIVAN. |
| ANNA G. WITHERELL, | |

COURSE OF STUDY.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

FIRST YEAR.

Reading. From blackboard, chart, and one-half of First Readers; words at sight and in easy combinations, phrases and sentences, other than object words, by association and repetition. Teach children to look sentences through, then to read right off as if talking, thus securing an easy, natural expression.

Language. Cultivate power of expression. Lead pupils to tell what they know in correct language. Use and require complete sentences in asking and answering questions. Capitals, periods, question and exclamation marks.

Writing. Copy on slate, in script, words, letters, sentences, securing legibility as soon as possible.

Number. Develop idea of number, combinations, (parts) from 1 to 10, using objects and numeral frame.

Drawing. Slate and blackboard, lines and combinations into plain figures.

Oral Lessons. On common objects, body, color, form; morals and manners, physical exercises, memory gems, singing.

SECOND YEAR.

Reading. Finish First Readers; supplementary reading. Insist on clear and distinct utterance. Bring out the thought.

Language. Continue work of first grade; sentence writing, simple descriptions of objects, actions, and pictures; spelling by sound and by letters words from reading lessons and from language of school room.

Writing. On ruled slates or paper, copies of words and sentences, days of week, names of months; names and address, with punctuation. Teach form of letters, position, and holding pencil.

Number. Combinations to 20. Tables through 5; small columns added and subtracted on blackboard and slate.

Drawing. Continue work of previous year. Cards, first series. *Miscellaneous.* Extend previous work. Animals, trees, coins.

THIRD YEAR.

Reading. First half of Second Reader, and suitable supplementary reading.

Number. Combinations to 50; writing and reading numbers to 1,000; mental examples; slate and blackboard exercises; have pupils make up examples. Teach inch, foot, yard; halves, thirds, fourths, by objects only; tables through 10; Roman numerals to L. Primary Arithmetic in hands of teacher.

Language. Different forms of sentences; simple plurals, hyphen, contractions. Review and continue previous work.

Spelling. Words from lessons; keep list of mis-spelled words for frequent reference; written more than oral.

Writing. On spaced paper copies from blackboard; copy book, pencil, series B.

Drawing. Slate and blackboard; simple objects.

Oral Lesson. Points of compass; valley, hills, rivers, etc., illustrated by local surroundings; maps of school room and yard. Primary and secondary colors; forms, qualities, trades and occupations. Review and extend body lessons.

FOURTH YEAR.

Reading. Complete Second Reader; supplementary reading.

Number. Primary Arithmetic; secure readiness in four simple rules; short and long division. Test preceding work and continue combinations. Notation and numeration to 100,000. Roman notation to C. Very simple concrete illustrations of fractions.

Language. Written exercises daily; combine sentences, making little compositions; preserve some exercises. Aim at following results:—facility in oral and written expression of thought of what they read, in describing objects and actions, pictures, stories from pictures, etc.

Geography. Primary Text-book to Middle Atlantic States; use globe and maps. Draw map of Braintree and of Massachusetts.

Spelling. Continue work of Grade III.

Writing. Spaced paper and copy book C. Inks.

Drawing. Simple objects; plain figures.

Oral Lessons. Bones of the body, color, forms.

FIFTH YEAR.—INTERMEDIATE.

Arithmetic. Elementary to p. 78, with much practical work outside of book; drill in mental exercises; addition of ledger

columns; notation and numeration to 1,000,000, Roman notation to D. Encourage original work in bills.

Reading. Third Reader and supplementary reading.

Language. Teach use of quotation-marks, apostrophe, comma after yes and no; continue previous work. Copy exercises into blank books.

Geography. Complete primary text-book. Outline map of New England States.

Drawing. Drawing Book No. 1; extra work on paper and blackboard.

Penmanship. Short Course, Nos. 3 and 3½.

Spelling. Word Book to Lesson 80, and from all text-books.

Physiology. Bones of body, muscles, skin.

Oral Lessons. Form, color, shades.

SIXTH YEAR.—INTERMEDIATE.

Arithmetic. Elementary to p. 115; special drill in common and decimal fractions and simple examples; daily exercises in practical mental examples; addition of ledger columns.

Reading. Advanced Third Readers, Primary History of the United States, and supplementary reading.

Language. Review previous work; teach comma after address and words in series; preserve in exercise books simple reproductions, dictations, short stories, etc.; simplest form of letter writing.

Geography. Large text-book, essential facts only; simple definitions; North America, United States to West Central States, with map drawing.

Drawing. Drawing Book No. 2; extra work on paper.

Penmanship. Short Course, Nos. 4 and 5.

Spelling. Word Book, Lesson 80 to 145, and from all text-books.

Physiology. Review work of Grade V; organs of sense.

Oral Lessons. Continue form; color.

SEVENTH YEAR.—GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Arithmetic. Written Arithmetic to percentage; aim to cultivate reasoning faculties; reach results mentally as far as possible.

Language. Language lessons; parts of speech, gender, number and case; comparisons; analysis of simple sentences; dictation

of various exercises to show uses of common punctuation; letter writing, business forms, telegrams; compositions from schedule of topics; paragraphing. Secure order and neatness in work.

Geography. Review, and advance to Europe; map drawing.

Reading. Fourth Readers and supplementary reading.

History. United States to period of Revolution.

Physiology. Review; the heart and circulation, the lungs and respiration.

Drawing. Books Nos. 3 and 4; construction.

Penmanship. Books Nos. 3 and 4, large series.

Spelling. Pages 43 to 91, Word Book, and from all text-books.

EIGHTH YEAR.—GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Arithmetic. Percentage to cube root; reviews.

Language. Analysis and construction, with diagrams; principles of syntax, voice, mood and tense; auxiliaries. Make every lesson contribute to correct language. Dictations, reproductions, abstracts, and compositions.

Reading. Fourth and Fifth Readers, with suitable supplementary reading.

Geography. Complete text-book; general reviews by topics.

History. To present time; reviews.

Physiology. Digestive organs, the nervous system, fermentation, distillation, narcotics.

Drawing. Books Nos. 5 and 6; construction.

Penmanship. Books Nos. 4½ and 5.

Spelling. Word Book from p. 91, and from all text-books.

HIGH SCHOOL.

DAILY SESSIONS FROM NINE TO TWO.

PRESCRIBED COURSE OF STUDY.

First Year.—First Term.

Algebra, English Comp., one elective, (American authors, one lesson a week throughout the year.)

Second Term.

Algebra, History of England, one elective.

Second Year.—First Term.

Geometry, physics, one elective, (American authors, one lesson a week throughout the year.)

Second Term.

General History, Civil Government, and physiology, one elective.

Third Year.—First Term.

English Literature, Chemistry, one elective.

Second Term.

English Literature, Arithmetic, Book-keeping, one elective.

Pupils of the first and second years who expect to leave school can take Arithmetic with senior class.

Compositions and declamations, monthly, three years.

Writing, weekly, three years, copy books, Nos. 6, 7, and 10.

Drawing, weekly, three years, books, Nos. 7, 8, and 9.

Latin, elective, three years. French, elective, two years.

School drill in mental arithmetic in general exercises.

Rhetorical exercises with reference to authors.

AUTHORIZED TEXT-BOOKS OF STUDY.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Readers ; variety.

Arithmetic ; Numbers Illustrated and Franklin Elementary.

Geography ; Harper's Introductory.

Spelling ; Swinton's Word-book.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS.

Readers; variety.
 Arithmetic; Franklin Elementary.
 Geography; Harper's School and Introductory.
 Physiology; Hygiene for Young People.
 Spelling; Swinton's Word-book.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

Readers; variety.
 Arithmetic; Franklin Written.
 Geography; Harper's School.
 Language; Reed & Kellog's Graded Lessons.
 History; Anderson's.
 Physiology; Steele's Abridged.
 Spelling; Swinton's Word-book.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Algebra; Robinson's.
 Geometry; Davies'.
 Arithmetic; Thompson's.
 Book-keeping; Seavey's.
 English Composition; Chittenden's.
 History of England; Stone's.
 General History; Swinton's.
 Physics; Steele's.
 Chemistry; Steele's.
 Physiology; Walker's.
 Civil Government; Young's.
 English Literature; Swinton's.
 Latin :
 Harkness's and Allen & Greenough's Grammars, Harkness's First
 Year Latin, Harkness's and Allen & Greenough's Cæsar,
 Chase & Stewart's Virgil.
 French :
 Keetel's Grammar, various books for reading and conversation.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

SCHOOL YEAR.

SECTION 1. The school year shall consist of forty weeks. There shall be two vacations, viz., two weeks at Christmas, and one week at Fast; and shall commence the first Tuesday in September.

SESSIONS.

SECT. 2. The Schools are to be kept on the first five secular days of each week, and at no other time.

School hours shall be from nine to twelve o'clock in the morning, and from half past one to four in the afternoon.

In extremely inclement weather the schools may have but one session; yet, if possible, the teacher must consult the Superintendent or local committee.

PUNCTUALITY OF TEACHERS.

SECT. 3. Teachers must be at their school-rooms fifteen minutes before the time of opening the school in the morning, and commence and close the school at the prescribed hour, the record of attendance to be made at the time of opening.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

SECT. 4. The morning exercises in all the schools shall commence with the reading of the English Bible by the teacher, without comment.

SUSPENSION OR ABRIDGEMENT OF SESSIONS.

SECT. 5. Teachers shall not suspend their schools, nor change the school hours, except by permission of the Superintendent or local committee; nor must any recess exceed fifteen minutes; neither shall any pupil be deprived of a recess as a punishment.

PUPILS TO LEAVE THE SCHOOL GROUNDS.

SECT. 6. Teachers shall require pupils, when dismissed, to leave the schoolhouse and grounds immediately, and proceed to their homes, unless otherwise ordered by their parents or guardians.

PRINCIPALS.

SECT. 7. When two or more schools are in one building, the teacher of the highest grade shall be regarded as the principal of said schools, subject to the general direction of the Superintendent and Visiting Committee, for the purpose of having general oversight of the buildings and grounds, and the other teachers shall be regarded as assistants. He shall prescribe such rules for the use of the yards and out-buildings as shall insure their being kept in a neat and proper condition, and shall be held responsible for the observance of the regulations of the Committee relating to school buildings.

ROOMS, GROUNDS, ETC.

SECT. 8. Teachers shall see that their rooms, grounds, and all that pertains to the school premises are kept neat and in good order during term time; and no teacher is permitted to perform any work not belonging to the duties of the school in school hours.

SUSPENSION OF PUPILS.

SECT. 9. For violent or gross opposition to authority, or when the conduct of the pupil either in or about the building is such that his example is injurious to the other pupils, the teacher may suspend such pupil; but the case must be reported forthwith to the Superintendent or local committee for advice and direction, and at the same time notice must be given to the parent or guardian.

SUBSTITUTES.

SECT. 10. No substitute shall be placed in a school by a teacher without the approval of the Superintendent or subcommittee.

VENTILATION.

SECT. 11. Teachers shall take special care at all times that their rooms are properly ventilated. When there is no other efficient means for ventilation, the windows shall be thrown open for a few minutes at each recess, so as to change the air of the school-room.

EXAMINATIONS.

SECT. 12. All the classes in all the schools above the grade of primary shall have written examinations bi-monthly, and the examination papers shall be kept on file for the inspection of the Superintendent, Committee, or parents of scholars above primary grade.

Whenever any pupil shall unnecessarily be absent from the examination of his or her school, such pupil shall not be permitted to re-enter any school in town except by consent of the Superintendent or subcommittee.

ATTENDANCE.

SECT. 13. No child shall be admitted to our schools under five years of age. All pupils must attend the schools to which they are assigned, unless otherwise directed by the Committee.

PROMOTIONS.

SECT. 14. Pupils may be promoted at the commencement of any term, provided the parents are willing, and the pupils are able to recite in the lower class, also, till the lessons which were passed over in the promotion be made up. But each case must be decided by the Committee.

No scholar shall be degraded or put into a lower class without consent of the Superintendent with the concurrence of the Committee.

DAMAGE.

SECT. 15. Any damage done to a schoolhouse, the furniture, or any part of the premises, must be paid for by the parent or guardian of the child or children doing the damage.

GRIEVANCES.

SECT. 16. Whenever any parent or guardian shall feel aggrieved by the conduct of any teacher, the cause of grievance must either be removed by a private interview with the teacher, or be reported to the Superintendent or local committee.

TEXT-BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

SECT. 17. Teachers shall exercise proper care of the text-books and supplies furnished their classes, and pupils must be

held strictly accountable for all damages done to the same. Text-books shall be labelled "Property of the Town of Braintree," before taken from the Superintendent's office, and shall be numbered and charged to the pupils to whom they are loaned. Pupils may take the books home for study, with the consent of the teacher, but not to retain them during vacation. At the close of the year, teachers shall make careful returns to the Superintendent of the number and condition of these books.

REGISTERS.

SECT. 18. The school register prescribed by the statutes of the Commonwealth shall be faithfully kept, and at the close of the financial year of the town, shall be returned, duly filled, to the office of the School Committee.

TEXT-BOOKS.

SECT. 19. The text-books used and the studies pursued in all the public schools shall be such only as have been prescribed or assented to by the Committee.

VIOLATION OF RULES.

SECT. 20. Any violation of these rules by a teacher shall be considered sufficient cause for dismissal.

JANITORS.

SECT. 21. The janitor's duties shall consist in keeping the school-room well heated, swept and dusted twice each week, the out-buildings in a clean condition, the cellars and yards free from rubbish, and the snow promptly removed from all walks and steps. He shall immediately report any damage to schoolhouse or out-buildings to the Superintendent or local subcommittee, and shall receive such compensation as may be agreed upon.

ADMISSION TO PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

SECT. 22. Pupils shall not be admitted to the lowest class in the Primary schools except at the beginning of the September and February terms.

TRANSFER AND ADMISSION OF PUPILS.

SECT. 23. No pupil shall be transferred from one school to another, and no new pupil admitted to any of the schools without a certificate of transfer or admission from the Superintendent.

